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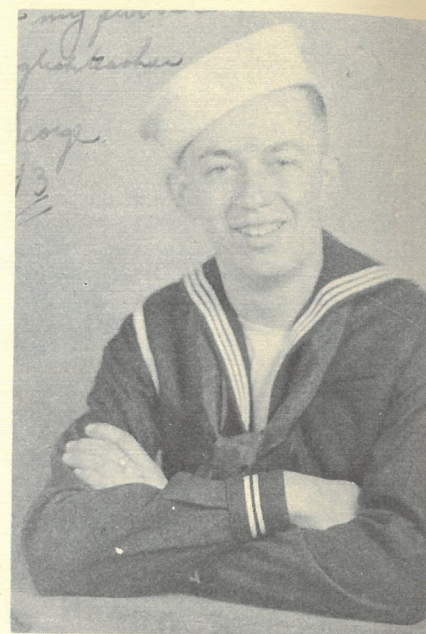
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Dedication

TO THOSE MEMBERS OF
THE CLASS OF 1945
WHO WILLINGLY LEFT THEIR PLACES
IN THE CLASSROOM
FOR A FOXHOLE OR A BATTLE-STATION
WE DEDICATE THIS ANNUAL.



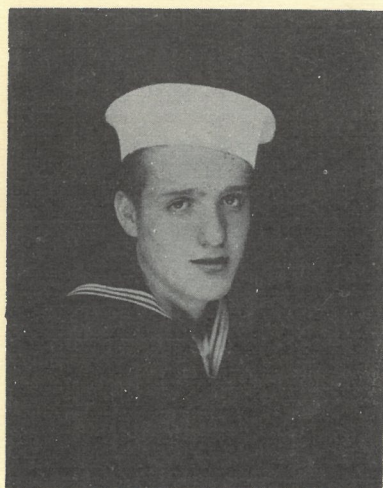
CLARE BAKER, U. S. NAVY
ATTACHED TO MARINES



GEORGE J. DIMAS
U. S. NAVY

"They cannot rest until a Spirit-dawn
Shall come--the shining hope of all
Earth free."

And for this goal they left their
worlds behind,
To fight this war for you and me.



JOSEPH SOULE
U. S. NAVY



ROGER CONOLLY
U. S. NAVY



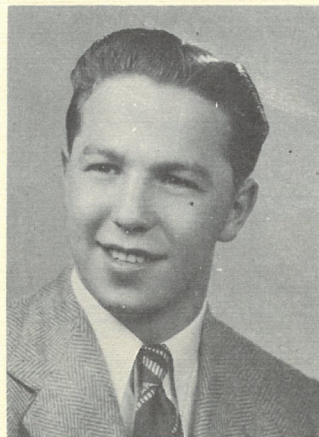
GEORGE DEAN BUSH
U. S. NAVY

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U. S. NAVY



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ARMY AIR CORPS



WILLIAM BRAYBROOKS
ARMY AIR CORPS

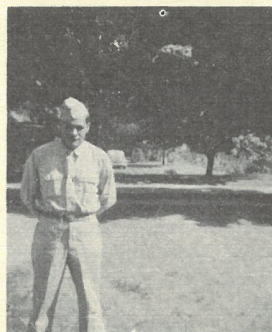
"When a deed is done for Freedom,
through the broad earth's
aching breast

Runs a thrill of joy prophetic,
trembling on from east to west."

"Once to every man and nation
comes the moment to decide,

In the strife of Truth with False-
hood,
for the good or evil side."

Lowell: "THE PRESENT CRISIS"



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U. S. ARMY

ALFRED KRAUSE
U. S. ARMY

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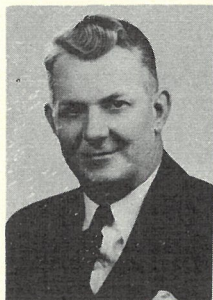


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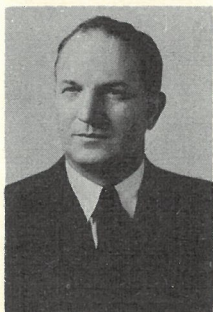
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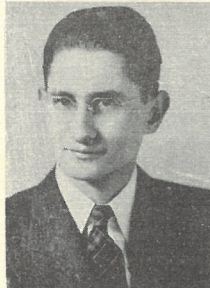


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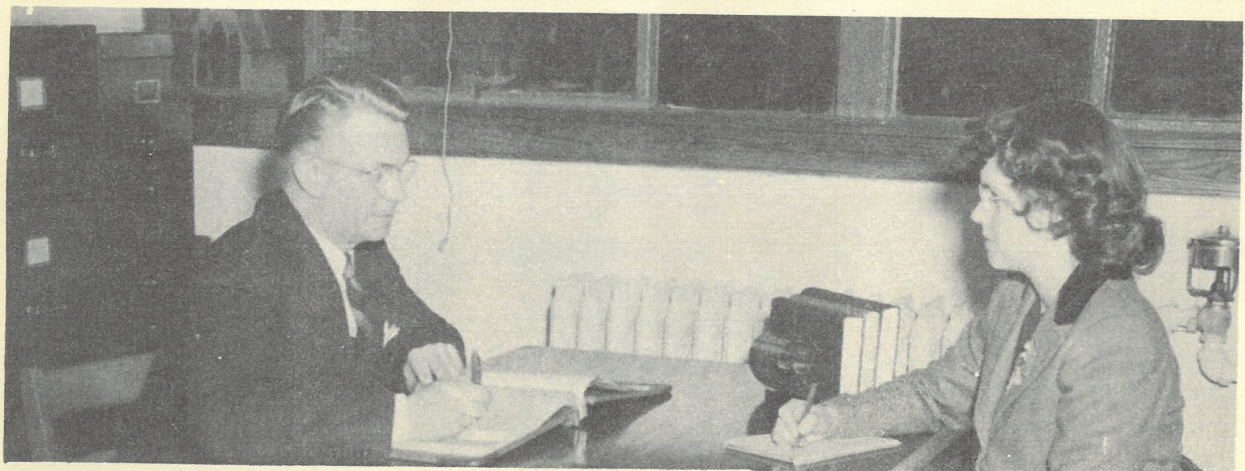
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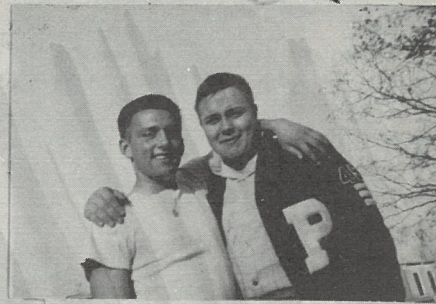
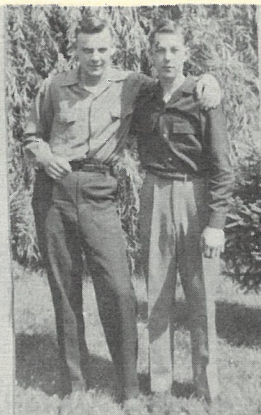


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Office

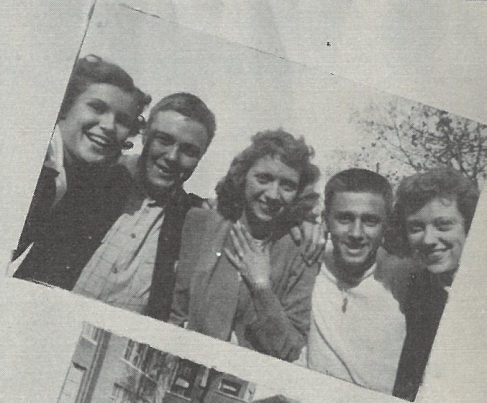


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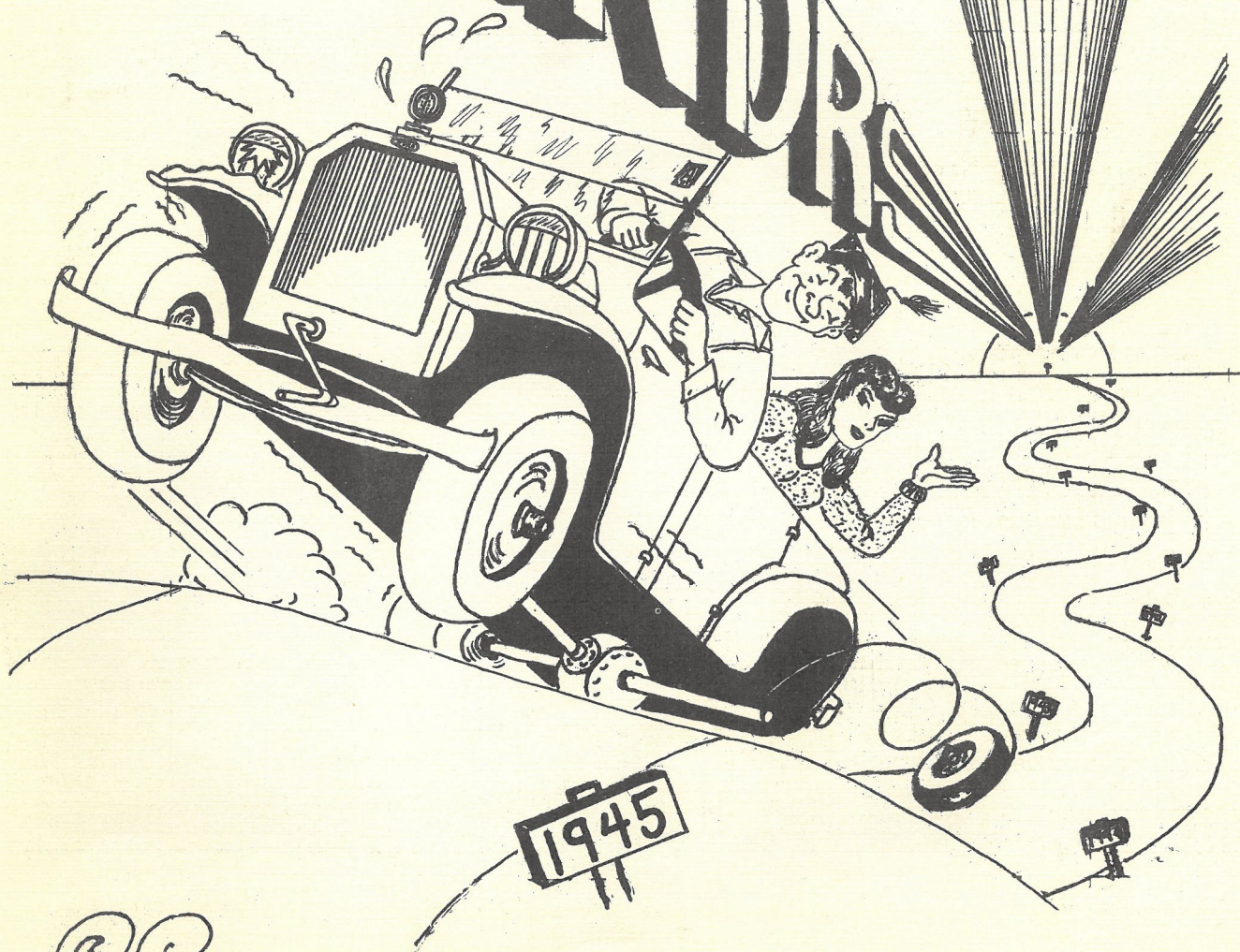




Pals and Gals



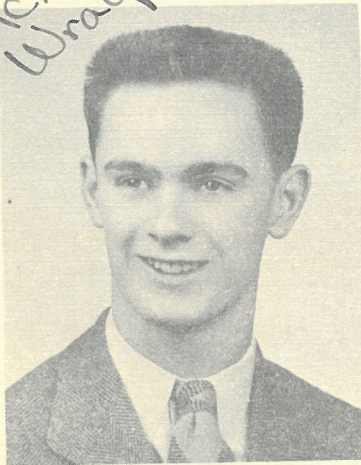
SENIOR



P. Reed

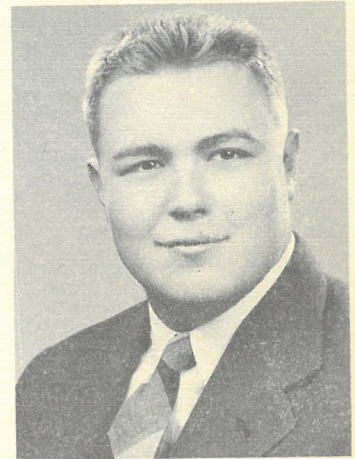
Class Officers

Dick Wragg



RICHARD WRAAG--PRESIDENT

Victory Council				2
Class President			3	4
Glee Club				2
Choir				4
Football	1	2	3	4
Basketball			2	3
Baseball			2	3
Track			2	3
Letter Club			2	3
Volley Ball	1	2	3	4
"Spring Fever"				3



WILLIAM GEIGER--VICE PRESIDENT

Football		2	3	4
Letter Club		2	3	4
Glee Club				2
Choir				4
Victory Council				2
High School Committee				3
Camera Club				1
Vice-President		2	4	
"Spring Fever"				3
"Ring Around Elizabeth"				4

CHARLES BEED--SECRETARY

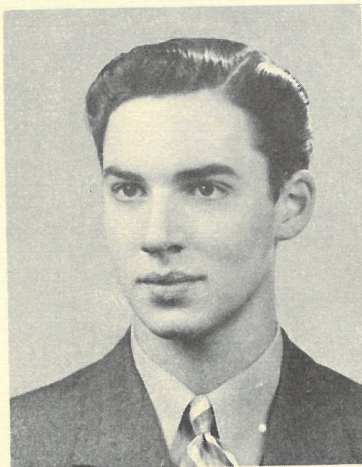
Track		2	3	4
Letter Club		2	3	4
Secretary				4
"Ring Around Elizabeth"				4
Wappaw				



PEARLE O. BAXTER--CLASS ADVISER

English

Northwestern University B.S.
Boston University M.A.



GRACE BLAESING--TREASURER

Transferred				3
J-Hop Chairman				3
"Spring Fever"				4
Treasurer				4
Volley Ball				4
Glee Club				4
Choir				4
Wappaw				

Mrs. Max Baxter



SENIORS

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LEOLA ANDERSON

Mrs. Wm. Anderson
Leola Anderson
 Volley Ball 1 2
 Baseball 1 2
 Glee Club 1 2 3 4
 Choir 4
 Sextette 2 3
 Band 2 3 4
 Wappaw 4

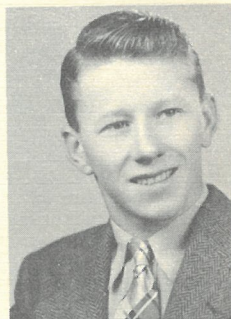


PHYLLIS CARSON

Orchestra 1
 Glee Club 2
 Accompanist 3
 Choir Accompanist 4
 Dance Band 2 3 4
 "Stage Door" 1
 "Spring Fever" 3
 Volley Ball 3
 Basketball 3
 Junior High Student Council 1
 Class Secretary 2
 Wappaw-Editor 4

PETER BRUSACH

Choir-President 4
 Interclass Basketball 1 2 3 4
 Football 3 4
 Volley Ball 1 2 3 4
 Letter Club 3 4
 "Ring Around Elizabeth" 4



WILLIAM COLEMAN

Interclass Basketball 1 2 3 4
 Volley Ball 1 2 3 4
 Football 4
 Choir 4

Bill Coleman
married
L Scamihorn

SHIRLEY BUCKHOUT

Basketball 2 3
 Volley Ball 2 3



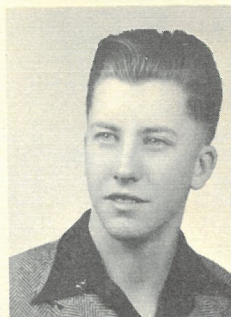
CATHERINE CONNER

Glee Club 1 2

ROBERT BURNS

Interclass Basketball 1 2 3 4
 Volley Ball 1 2 3
 F.F.A. 2 3
 Choir 4

"Bob Burns"

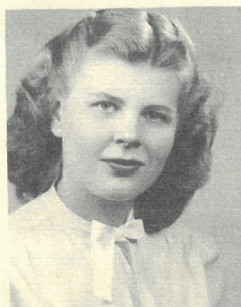


EUGENE COULSON

Wappaw 4

COLETTE CARLSON

Band 1 2 3 4
 Orchestra 1
 Choir 4
 Volley Ball 1
 Baseball 1
 Basketball 1
 Victory Council-Secy 2
 High School Committee-Chr 3
 "Spring Fever" 3
 "Ring Around Elizabeth" 4
 Wappaw 4
 Junior High Student Council 1



GEORGE COY

F.F.A.

SENIORS

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GERALDINE COY "gerrie"

Glee Club	1 2 3 4
Choir	4
Volley Ball	2 3 4
Basketball	1 2 3 4
Baseball	1 2 4



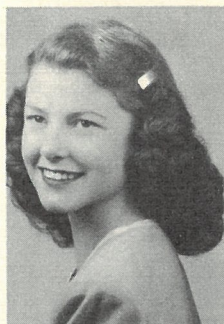
DOROTHY EVERSDYK

Band	1 2 3 4
Librarian	2 3 4
Orchestra	1 2 3
Glee Club	2
Choir	4
Class Treasurer	1
Wappaw	4

Dorothy Eversdyk

JOANNE CUDDEBACK

Transferred	
Glee Club	2 3 4
President	3
Choir-Secretary	4
Sextette	3
Volley Ball	3 4
Basketball	3 4
"Spring Fever"	3
"Ring Around Elizabeth"	4



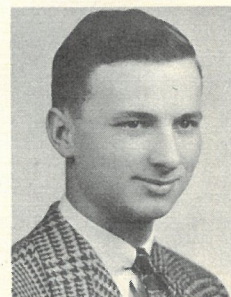
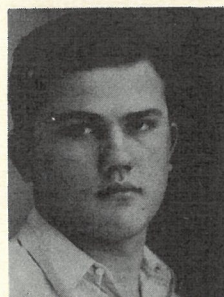
BETH EWING

Transferred	
Glee Club	2 3 4
Librarian	4
Wappaw	4

Jo Cuddeback

PAUL DILJAK

Paul Diljak

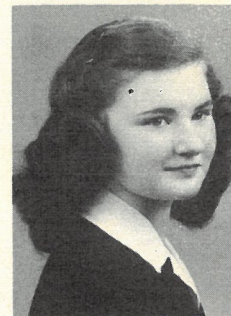
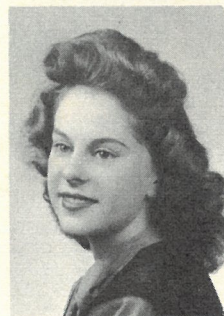


ARTHUR GLADYSZ

Baseball	1 2
Basketball	2 3 4
Football	1 2 3 4
Letter Club	1 2 3 4
Volley Ball	1 2 3 4
Class Vice President	3

JOSEPHINE DOTY

Band	1 2 3 4
Orchestra	1 3
Junior High Student Council	1
Class Secretary	3
Red Cross-Chairman	4

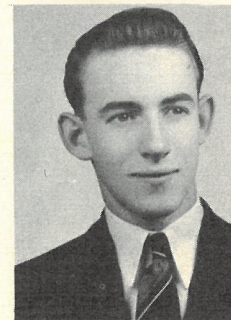


ELAINE GLEASON

Glee Club	1 2 3 4
Choir	4
Basketball	1 2 3 4
Volley Ball	1 2 3 4
Baseball	1 2
"Spring Fever"	3
"Ring Around Elizabeth"	4

LOIS DRENKAHN

Volley Ball	2 3 4
Basketball	3
Baseball	3
Glee Club	1 2 3 4
Choir	4



ARNOLD HARVEY

Track	3
Letter Club	3
F.F.A.	1 2 3 4
President	4

"Arnold Harvey" married Marilyn Mokee

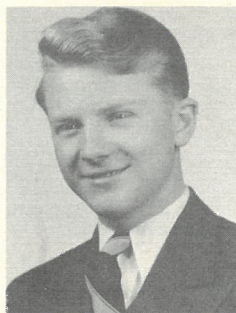
SENIORS

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WILLIAM HOLM

Glee Club 1
"Spring Fever" 3
Volley Ball 4

Wm. Holm



DOUGLAS LOMBARD

Transferred
Band 2 3 4
Class Treasurer 3

moved to Calif

JOAN KROTH

Band 2 3 4
Glee Club 1
Choir 4
"Spring Fever" 3
"Ring Around Elizabeth" 4
Wappaw 4

Joan Kroth



ELENOR MACIEJEWSKI

Glee Club 2 3
Volley Ball 1 2 3 4
Basketball 1 2 3 4
Baseball 1 2 3 4

Eleanor Maciejewski

FRANK LABADIE

Frank Labadie



MARIAN MARSHALL

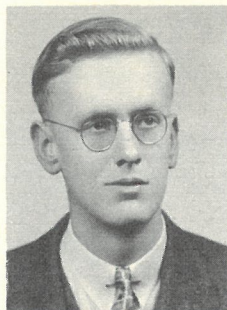
Transferred
Glee Club 4
Choir 4
Volley Ball 4
Basketball 4

Marian Marshall

PHILIP LANG

Junior High Student Council 1
Camera Club 1
WarBoard-President 4
Glee Club 1 2
Interclass Basketball 4
Volley Ball 4
"Spring Fever" 3
Wappaw 4

Phil Lang



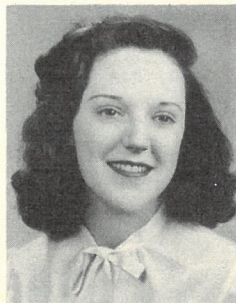
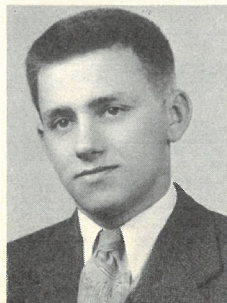
JOHN MASKE

Transferred
Victory Council 2
Choir 4
Interclass Basketball 3 4
Track 3
Letter Club 4
Volley Ball 2 3 4

NORMAN LARSON

Football 3
Track 3
Letter Club 3 4
Cheer Leader 4
Interclass Basketball 1 2 3 4
High School Committee-Chr 4
"Spring Fever" 3
"Ring Around Elizabeth" 4

Norm Larson



MARY MILLER

Wappaw 4

(deceased 1945)

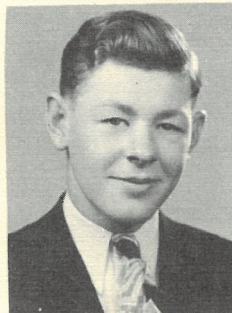
SENIORS

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Barbara Mortensen

BARBARA MORTENSEN

Basketball	1	2	3	4
Volley Ball	1	2	3	4
Baseball	1	2	4	
Glee Club	1	2	4	
Secretary			4	
Choir			4	
"Spring Fever"			3	
"Ring Around Elizabeth"			4	
Wappaw			4	



EUGENE RUCINSKI

Glee Club				2
Choir				4
Basketball			3	4
Football			3	4
Baseball			3	4
Track			1	3
Letter Club			2	3
"Spring Fever"				3
"Ring Around Elizabeth"				4
Wappaw				4

ELLEN ORTQUIST

Glee Club				1	4
Volley Ball	1	2	3	4	
Basketball			2	3	4
Baseball	1	2	3	4	

Ellen Ortquist



KATHRYN SHELDON

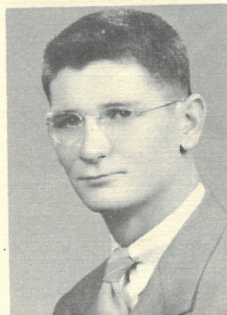
Band				1	2	3	4
Orchestra							3
Junior High Student Council							1

Mrs. Wm. Young

MAXWELL POTTER

Class President					2
Basketball	1	2	3	4	
Football			2	3	4
Baseball			1	2	3
Letter Club	1	2	3	4	
Vice-President					4
Band					2

Married June 13



ALICE STEELE

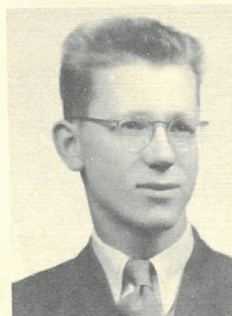
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President								4
Dance Band					2	3	4	
Glee Club								2
Sextette								2
Choir								4
Junior High Student Council								1
High School Committee								3
"Spring Fever"								3
"Ring Around Elizabeth"								4

MARY PUGSLEY

Junior High Student Council	1
Band	2 3 4
Secretary	4
Orchestra	1 2 3
Glee Club	4
Choir	4
String Ensemble	3 4
Volley Ball	1 2 4
Basketball	1 2 4
"Spring Fever"	3
"Ring Around Elizabeth"	4

Mary Pugsley

Mrs. Harold Adams



CLARENCE WEBB

Transferred								
Wappaw								4

JOYCE PURSLEY

Glee Club				2	3	4
Wappaw						4

Joyce Pursley



BETTY WESTON

Band					1	2	3	4
Orchestra								3
Dance Band							2	3

SENIORS

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JACQUELYN WHITE

Band
Orchestra

1 2 3 4
1



SHIRLEY WILCOX

Choir
Glee Club

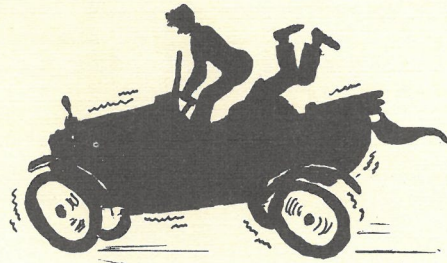
4
2 3 4



MARTHA WRIGHT

Junior High Student Council 1
Glee Club 1 2
Declamation 2 3
Choir 4
Class Secretary 1
"Spring Fever" 3

Martha Wright



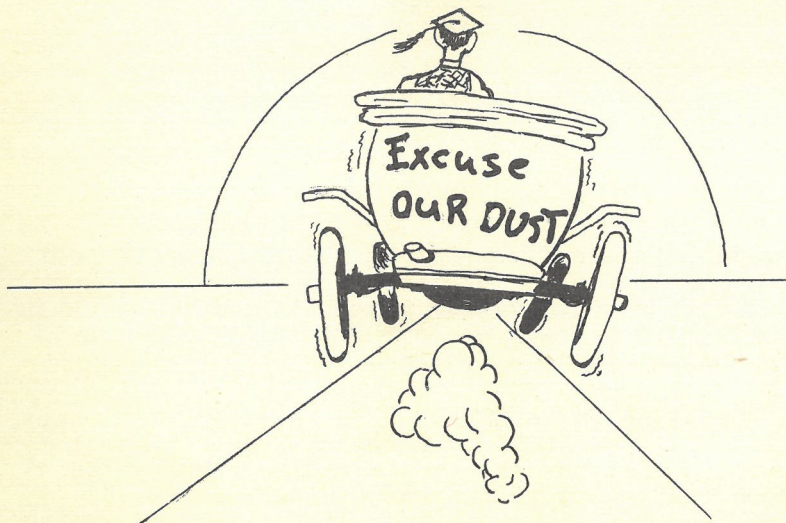
FAMOUS BELLS

The passing--
Wedding--
Telephone--
Door--
Dumb--(most of us)

To "Cobb" Webb:

He failed in Physics, flunked in Chem.
They heard him softly hiss:
"I'd like to catch the guy who said,
That 'Ignorance is bliss'."

HOME EC. CHATTER: "As ye sew, so shall ye rip."



SECOND FLOOR ATMOSPHERE

Little drops of acid,
Little grains of zinc,
Give us lots of learning,
But they make an
awful--odor.
(Zat so, Dr. Vedder???)

"FOUL WHISPERINGS ARE ABROAD." THEY SAY 'TIS AMONG THE FACULTY.

Class History

Five of us have been continuous members of the Class of '45 since kindergarten days. How they ever remained in one place so long is a mystery-but more power to them! They are: Bill Holm, Katy Sheldon, Betty Weston, Jackie White, and Dick Wragg. Even in the grades Billie and Dickie were whizzes at figures! They were good actors, too, in the frequent skits they gave then.

We entered the seventh grade-and Junior High, with Miss Vis as our Class adviser. The greatest task that year was to get the bulletin boards ready. The plays continued with an added attraction to class meetings - quiz programs! About then we began wondering why the boys sat on one side of the room, and the girls on the other side, at parties.

We swung into action in the eighth grade with Mrs. Baker as our adviser. By that time we were men and women of the world, deciding our vocations, and doing speech-making for candidates for Student Council offices. To broaden our experience in social life, we learned to do the Virginia Reel, and entertained at a Mother's Tea.

Country students enlarged our ninth grade considerably. Dean Bush was our president, and Miss Bauch was our adviser. We were especially proud of Bill Braybrooks and Dick Wragg, who made the football squad; and Max Potter who made the first team in basketball. Highlights of the year were a "Hard Times" party, and the presentation of a picture frame to Junior High, as our parting gift.

In our Sophomore year, with Max Potter as our president, we made a name for ourselves by earning a well filled treasury. Miss Baxter became our adviser that year and has been of great help to us ever since. We were first affected by the war that year when several of our boys were called to the colors: Vernon Middaugh, Al Krause, Joe Soule, Dean Bush, and Clare Baker. Our first successful year in high school ended with a picnic supper at Maple Isle.

We elected Dick Wragg as president for our important Junior Year. We had several money making enterprises, one of which was a contest between the boys and girls in selling magazine subscriptions. The boys were defeated, and so gave the girls a St. Patrick's party, with the co-operation of Bob Burns and his cow. Then came "Spring Fever" our class play, which featured a double cast of girls and two performances. Our main event was the J-Hop and Banquet. The theme was "Southern Fantasy," which we carried out very well by making rose covered trellises and picket fences for our night club. We were a proud group of Juniors as we beheld our creation under soft colored lights that night in May. We concluded the year by marching in with the Seniors at Commencement. The boys lost to the Service were George Dimas and George Wood.

Now we are Seniors! This is the time we have all anticipated for so long; yet somehow it seems to have lost some of its glory. During our Senior year, three more have entered the Service: Bill Braybrooks, Jack DePieare, and Roger Conolly. By now ten of our classmates are serving in the Armed Forces. We re-elected Dick Wragg as our president this year. Our Senior play is a comedy, "Ring Around Elizabeth."

We have all had our pictures taken, and have been measured for caps and gowns, so we know the time is approaching when we will say farewell to our grand school and teachers, to step out into the world. We can say "Good-Bye", but there are fond memories that will linger with us forever.

Class Prophecy

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Utopia
June 12, 1965

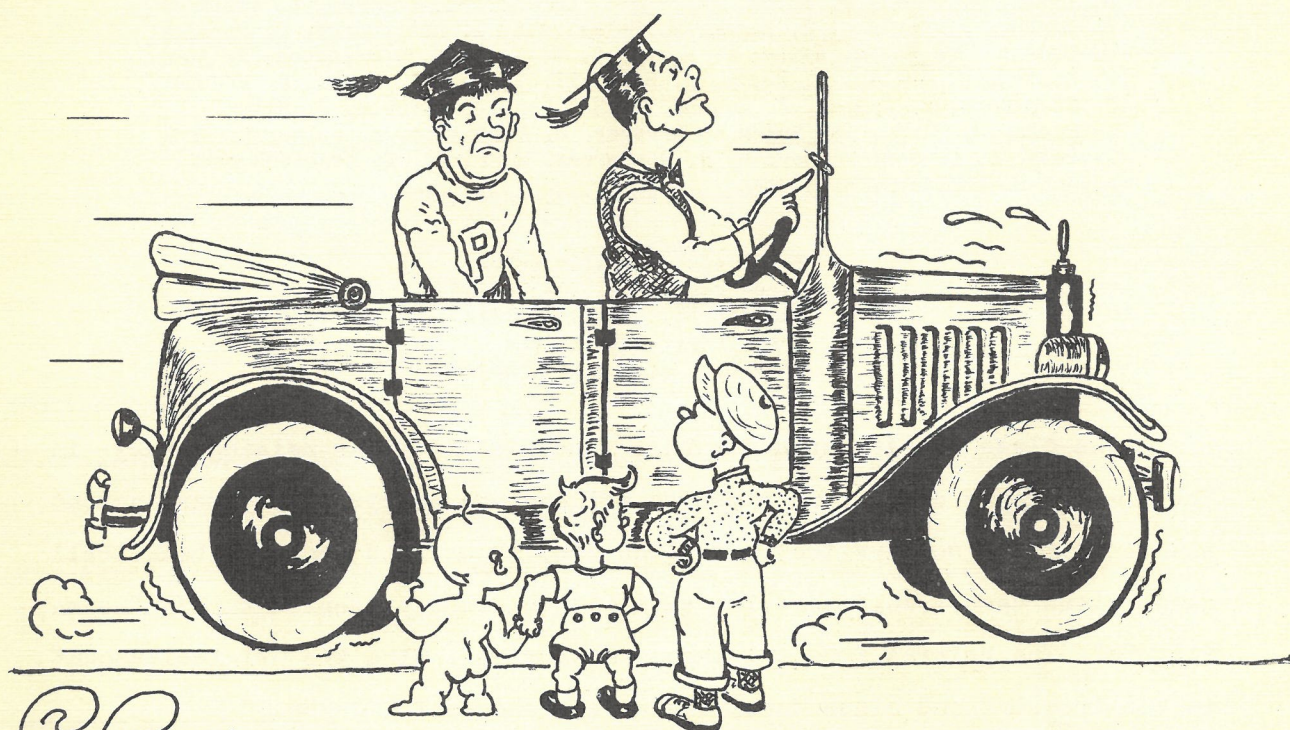
Professor Pearle Baxter
Perfecto College
Dreamsville, Ohio

Dear Professor Baxter:

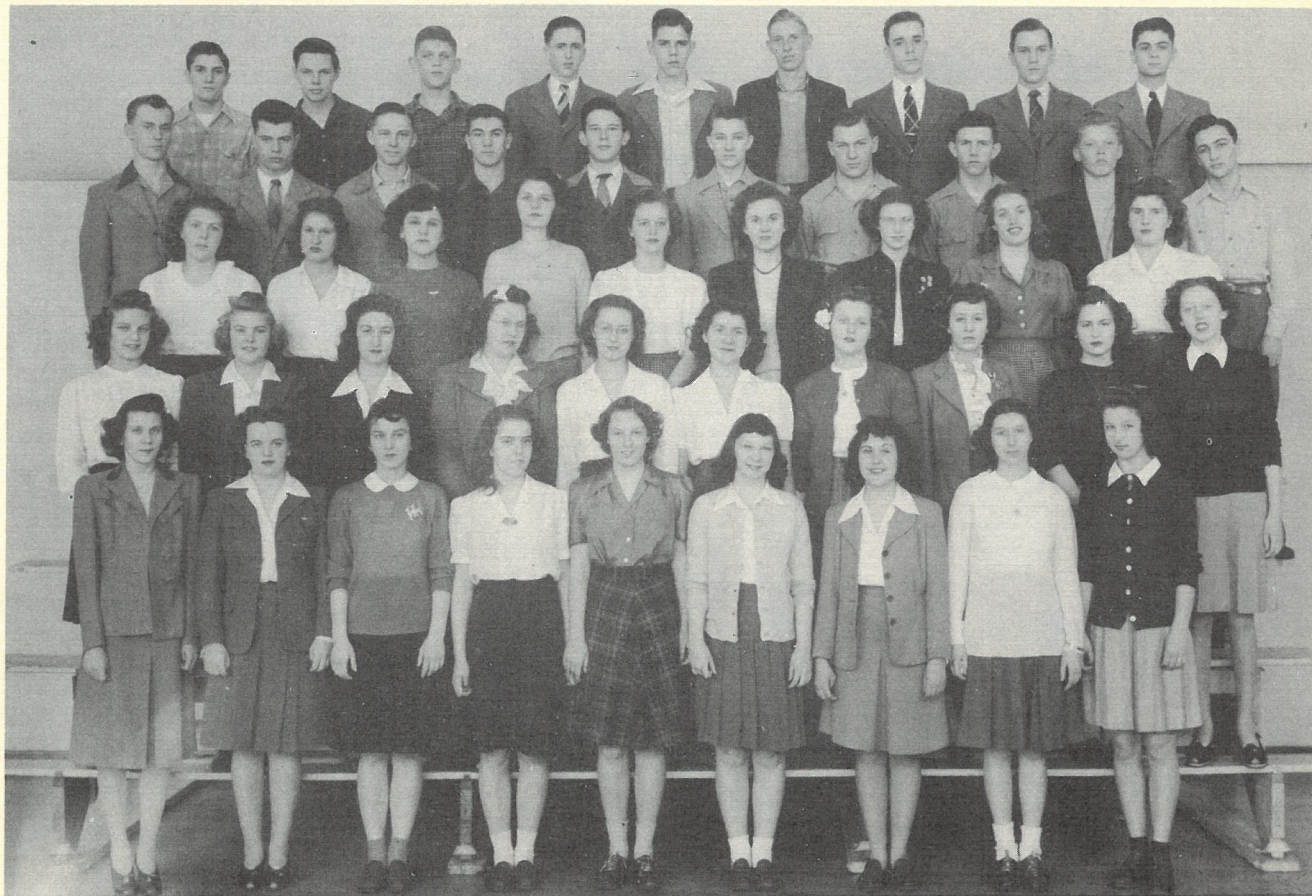
While I was in town yesterday, I ran into some of the members of that 1945 Class of Paw Paw, Michigan. Do you remember? Ah! yes, they were the class, weren't they? Well--I went to hear the world renowned pianist, Phyllis Carson, play at Orchestra Hall. Her performance was superb. It was followed by a clever lecture by the very famous Norman Larson on "Is Swing Music Here to Stay, or Will the Classics Over-throw It?" It proved to be quite interesting. There were quite a few of the Class of "45" there. The Charles Breed just got back from Mars. His expedition was very successful. He was simply swamped by autograph hounds, but the capable Chief of Police Eugene Rucinski, came to his rescue. Former Class Treasurer, Grace Blaesing went around pressing everybody for money, but the sharp eyes of Detective Clarence Webb, caught her in the act and made her return it. Peter Brusach ambassador to Yugoslavia, met me in the aisle as I was leaving. He's just as gracious as he ever was. Near the Entrance, I encountered a little fist fight involving William Coleman. The bouncer, Frank Labadie, soon took care of the offenders, though. I dined at the very famous restaurant run by the renowned chef, Marian Marshall. While awaiting the first course I glanced at the newspaper published by Dorothy Eversdyk, the super deluxe reporter. Splashed across the front page was the news that the scientific professor, William Holm, has discovered a very potent magnetic ray. What it can be used for he has not yet discovered, however. Also, making the headlines was a case in court involving The Lombard Loan Agency (Proprietor Douglas Lombard) vs. William Geiger. It seems Geiger was unable to meet the monthly interest rate, and this has become the talk of the town. I guess the case will be a fair one, though, since the judge is Paul Diljack. Another case mentioned was the case of one Arthur Gladysz. It seems he has been arrested for beating his wife. My, how some of these people have changed! On the sports page was a picture of Coach Max Potter's championship basketball team. It does surprise me, after all the damaged arms he had back in Paw Paw. The picture of the internationally famous Olympic Hurdler, Richard Wragg, appeared there also. On the Society Page was a photograph of the most outstanding members of the Happy Housewives' Club: Beth Ewing, President; Joyce Pursley, Vice President and Katherine Sheldon, Secretary, seated beside an old friend, Jacqueline White, who was doing welfare work for the Navy. In the evening I attended play, starring Martha L. Wright in "Memoirs of Paw Paw", which proved an outstanding success. The talented artist Joan Kroth, did all the advertising work for it and designed the stage sets, too.

On the way home, because I had a little difficulty with my helicopter I stopped in at Harvey's Heavenly Helicopter Haven. Arnold looked it over and I was soon on my way home again. Sailing alone I tuned in on my Television radio set just in time to listen to that captivating trio, Joanne Cuddeback, Elaine Gleason, and Barbara Mortensen. Television does add so much to radio, especially with such charming young singers as they are. Following them comes an interesting variety program for better health. Philip Lang is the announcer and the show is sponsored by the Burns & Conolly Meat Freezing Industry. (Bob Burns and Roger Conolly). The well known nutritionist, Alice Steele, talked on the "Improvements the Hamburger Has Made in the New World". Then Mary Pugsley directed Setting Up Exercises. Yes, I must say, television makes radio more interesting. Leola Anderson then gave hints on the building of a better personality. She was followed by Lois Drenkhahn, who talked on "How to Make Yourself Look Healthy."

UNDER CLASSMEN



Juniors

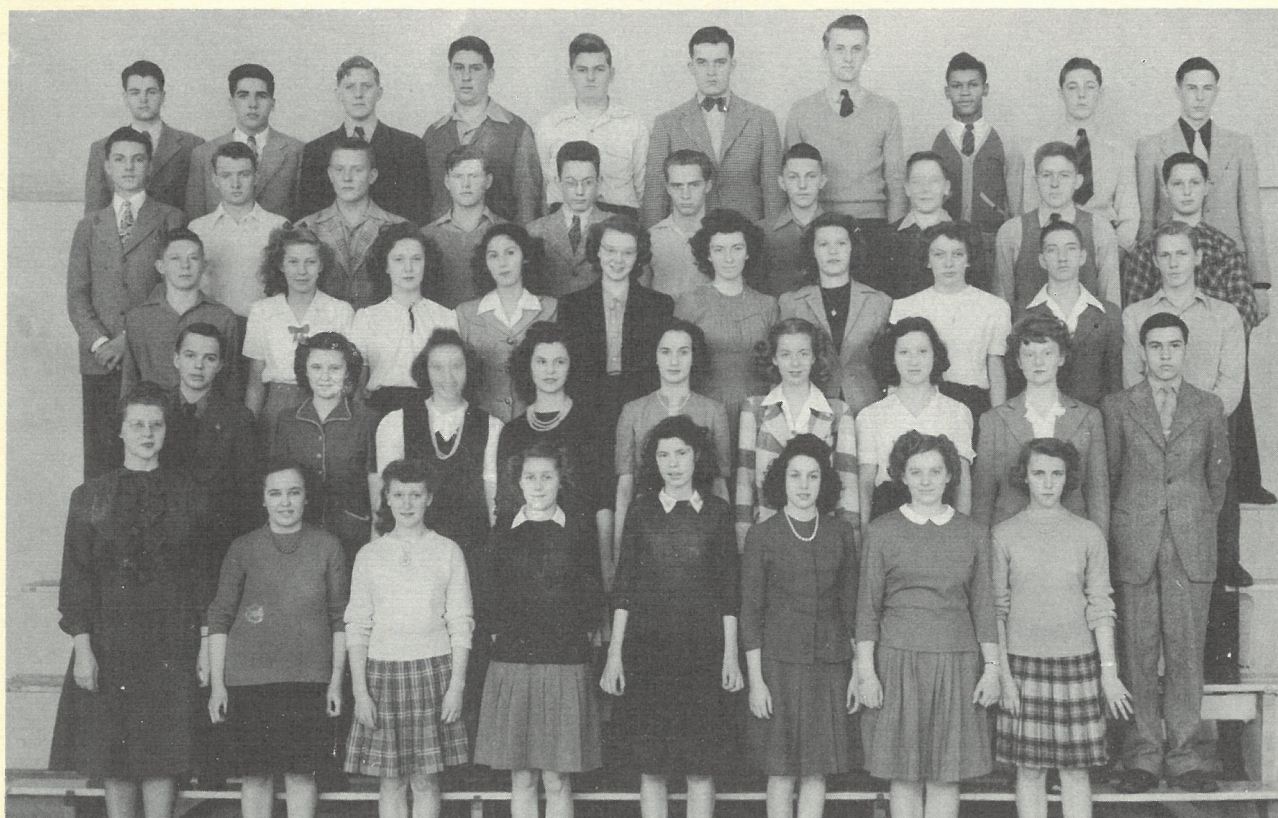


5th Row-L. LaPine, J. Foster, F. Shank, R. McKee, B. Wilkinson, C. Smith, S. Breed, K. Scott, B. Hobbs. 4th Row-K. Carlson, L. Donovan, D. Rothrock, E. Zorich, J. Coulson, R. Hagen, S. Palasinski, A. Lounsberry, G. Pursley, M. Dudash. 3rd Row-M. Keune, M. Beyer, R. Weglarz, M. Carrington, M. Aubin, M. Masten, B. Hollis, G. Healy, J. Birdsall. 2nd Row-L. Zuris, L. Brunner, S. Scamihorn, E. Masten, E. Reeves, L. Holzhopf, L. Steele, J. Sitar, G. Drake, F. Flynn. 1st Row-Miss Kraeger, H. Markillie, E. Belan, M. MacDaniels, E. Lhamon, M. Haydon, D. Quatermas, E. Platt, E. Wojciechowski, Absent-H. Englesby, R. German.

President: William Hobbs
 Vice-President: Joe Coulson
 Secretary: Beverly Hollis
 Treasurer: Lyle LaPine
 Adviser: Miss Lois Kraeger

The Class of '46 has had a busy **schedule** this year raising money in the time-honored custom practiced by all Juniors everywhere. Starting out with only thirty dollars, they have sponsored shows, sold candy at basketball games, given dances, sold magazine subscriptions, and presented a play "Seven Sisters". The returns from all these enterprises, plus the original amount in the treasury and class dues, indicate a successful J-Hop.





5th Row-D. Sprague, E. Meconi, D. Rumsey, R. Duhan, A. McNabb, C. Andrews
A. Lang, V. Tate, D. Whittington, E. Torrance 4th Row-J. Kubian, B. Brown
B. Carlson, J. Farquhar, G. Coleman, R. McGuire, R. Andrews, W. Richmond
R. Danger, J. Bukovac 3rd Row-D. Ross, V. Ross, M. Minarik, G. Henderson,
G. French, G. Benwire, D. Carlson, W. Blaesing, J. Fuller, R. Danger
2nd Row-B. Sackett, J. Sufferling, J. Fuller, L. Kubian, R. Lesak, G.
Schnoor, S. Coy, M. Glidden, B. Love 1st Row-Miss Zacker, P. Bradley, L.
Greenwald, C. Holm, T. Whistler, E. Rice, H. Hagen, J. German Absences
B. Hindenah, B. Cassada, B. Firestone

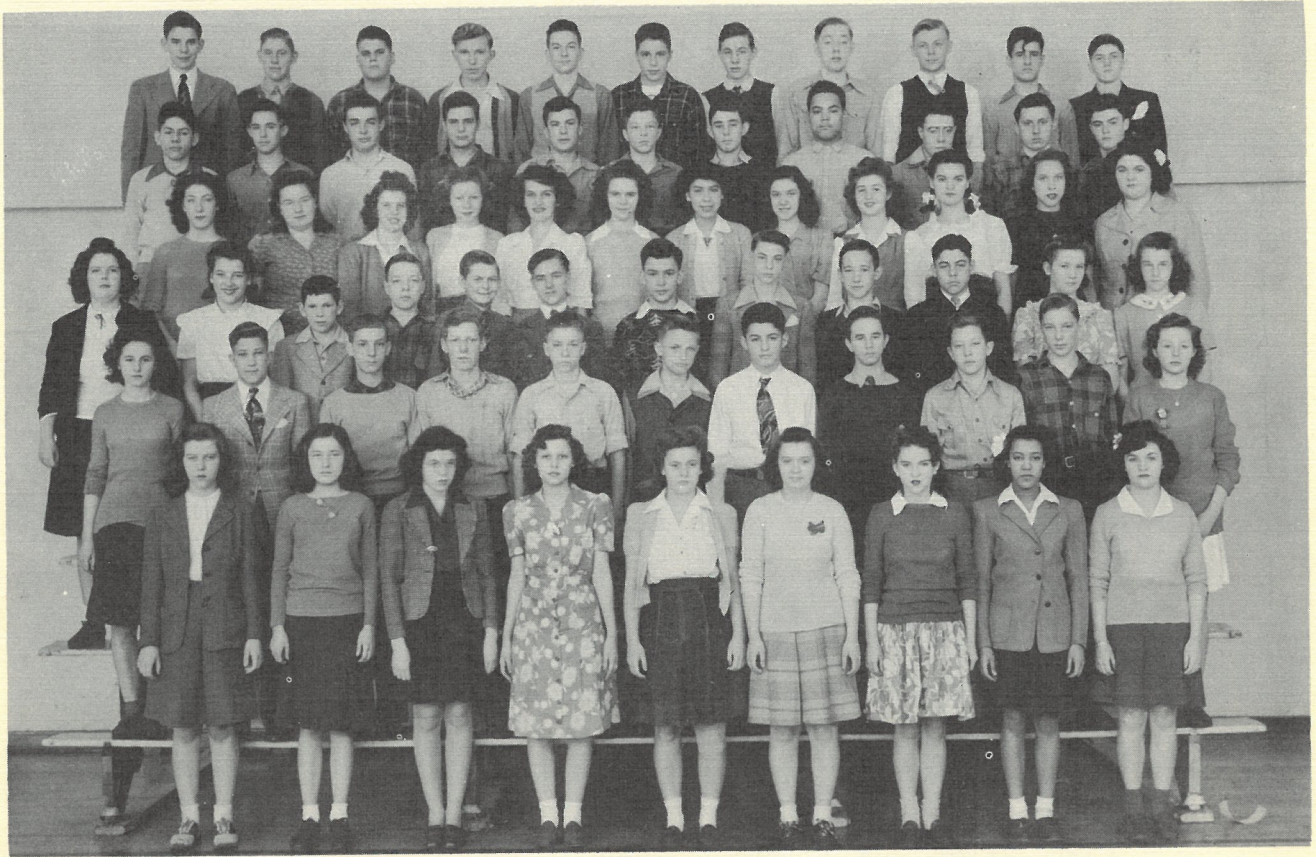
President--Geraldine French
Vice President--Dale Whittington
Secretary--Romain Lesak
Treasurer--Donald Sprague
Adviser--Miss Jean Zacker

The class of '47 has 48 members, exclusive of the service men. James Fuller and Archie Lhamon, are now serving in the U. S. Navy, and George Nicholson, was in the U. S. Army when he paid the supreme sacrifice.

The Sophomore Class is responsible for the Senior High news which is published weekly in the Courier-Northerner. It has also helped a great deal in the war effort. The girls helped the Red Cross by making wash cloths and utility bags for wounded soldiers, and the boys collected scrap paper on the monthly drives.

The definition of a student is anybody with a bulging brow that has no visible means of support!

Freshmen



6th Row-C. Carrington, J. Smith, R. Soule, C. Maciejewski, R. Oas,
 A. Cutting, L. Burns, G. Eddington, R. Swanson, T. Taylor, J. Replogle.
5th Row-J. Guercio, W. Ertle, D. McGuire, G. McDaniels, M. Smith, F. Kogge
 R. Snyder, G. Goens, B. Reits, R. Longcore, R. Donovan. 4th Row-L. Scamihorn
 V. Jacobs, M. Dodge, J. Mucha, P. Gosenca, J. Weber, J. Henderson,
 P. Masserello, D. Crook, C. Koehler, R. Johnson, S. Lawson. 3rd Row-
 B. Vernard, M. Harrison, N. Conolly, A. Lallinger, H. Rothrock, R. Camp-
 bell, W. Kaiser, R. Russell, G. Agate, H. Walt, J. Tellam, H. Masten.
2nd Row-M. Holman, D. Conner, R. Brill, P. Pursley, R. Russell, T. Foster,
 F. Kalang, T. Holman, P. Coulson, R. Drenkhahn, V. Rucinski. 1st Row-
 M. Ladyman, B. Wolf, D. Arnold, B. Walt, I. Farquhar, D. Bradly, B. German
 E. Tate, M. Dudash. Absentees-E. Coulson, S. Hornibrook, T. Millek,
 S. Taylor, R. Cutler, N. Middaugh.

President: Robert Russell
 Vice-President: Richard Longcore
 Secretary: Jeanine Mucha
 Treasurer: Norman Conolly
 Adviser: Miss Amelia Bauch

The class of 1948 is a large group of seventy-five members. Their very capable adviser Miss Bauch has ably assisted and advised the class in their freshman activities. They have sponsored a very successful party this year. The record of their bond and stamp sales has been excellent and they are steadily increasing their quota. The Freshman class has been an active leader in all Junior High activities.

1. The Class Steadies.....Grace Blaesing and Max Potter
2. Our Prettiest Female.....Colette Carlson
3. Our Handsomest Male.....Charles Breed
4. Our Cutest Gal.....Joanne Cuddeback
5. Our Cutest Guy.....Art Gladysz
6. The Most Popular Jane.....Marian Marshall
7. The Most Popular Jackson.....Dick Wragg
8. Our Most Likable Girl.....Colette Carlson
Marian Marshall
9. Our Most Likable Fellow.....Bill Geiger
10. The Class Moron.....Clarence Webb
11. The Class Automotive Mechanic.....Arnold Harvey
12. The Class Wit.....Mary Ann Miller
13. The Class Amazon.....Phyllis Carson
14. The Class Athlete.....Dick Wragg
15. The Class Highbrow.....Grace Blaesing
16. The Class Aristocrat.....Colette Carlson
17. The Class Tinker.....Charles Breed
18. The Class Rug-cutter.....Norman Larson
19. The Class Brains.....Alice Steele
20. Our Most Bashful Girl.....Ellen Ortquist
21. Our Most Bashful Boy.....Paul Diljak
22. OUR CLASS FLOWER (Elected by Wappaw Staff)

"Solemnly one by one

In the grade books of our dear teachers,

Blossom the little zeros,

The forget-me-nots of the Seniors."

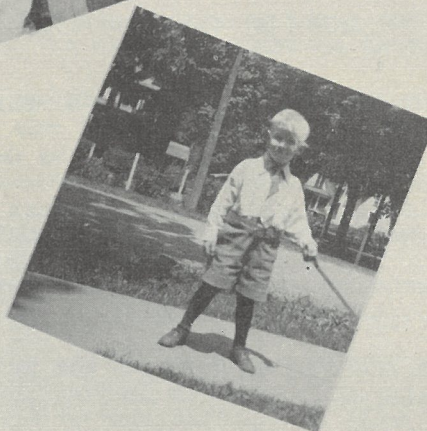
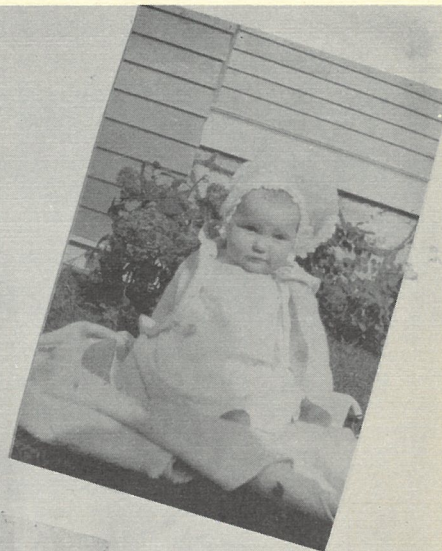
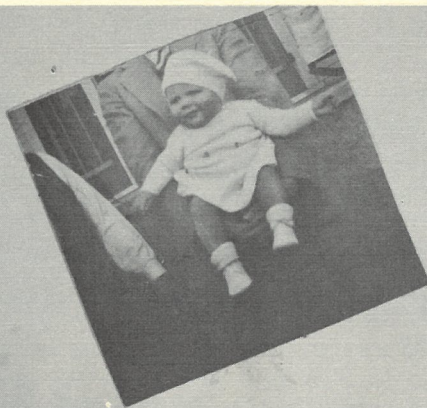
Class Will

One decade and three years ago, our mothers brought forth upon this institution an odd looking little band of Indians, conceived in tears and squabbles, and dedicated to the idea of being the Class of 1945. Now we are engaged in the enjoyable and unforgettable days of Commencement, and being of sound mind and body, and aware of the fact that the time is drawing nigh, here state our last will and testament:

1. I, Barbara Mortensen, leave my fighting spirit in sports to Emily Belan.
2. I, Bill Holm, bestow my scholastic genius to Mary Lou Masten.
3. I, Norman Larson, will my beloved stooge to Sterling Breed. Long may it wave.
4. I, Phil Lang, grant my height to Bob McKee--it looks as though he may make it.
5. I, Martha Wright, leave my speaking ability to Sonia Seamihorn.
3. I, Peter Brusach, leave my beautiful curly hair to Lyle La Pine, and my great big smile to everyone for a remembrance.
7. I, Art Gladysz, unwilling yield my place at Pete Brusach's side, because sooner or later the army will get one of us.
8. I, Bill Geiger, leave my sizable physique to anyone that can endure the wear and tear, and ten dollars to a fund for making bigger and better chairs for Paw Paw High.
9. I, Beth Ewing, surrender my "Come Hither" glance to Mary Louise Haydon.
10. I, Joanne Cuddeback, bestow my title as only "girl red-head in the Senior Class" to Lorraine Holzkopf.
11. I, Mary Pugsley, leave my mysterious eyes to Jean Sitar.
12. I, Bill Coleman, call a truce with all the fellows with whom I've tried to pick a fight. It never brought me anything but bruised arms.
13. I, Betty Weston, am leaving the joke-telling sessions in Art class to Romain Lesak. She is pretty good at it anyway.
14. I, Phyllis Carson, leave my gum chewing episodes to someone in next year's History Class.
15. I, John Maske Jr. leave my bright remarks and brilliant ideas. They're unbelievable, anyway.
16. I, Kathryn Sheldon, am leaving Bill Brown to--oh my goodness, what am I saying?
17. I, Leola Anderson, am leaving my deep alto voice to Wilma Blaesing, and hope she can hold up our section in Glee Club.
18. I, Jackie White, give up my seat in the back row to someone at the other end of the alphabet. Gee, it surely was nice!
19. I, Shirley Wilcox, leave my clever sayings. They bring me too much trouble.
20. I, Big Red Rucinski, leave the intricacies of the pronunciation of my last name to Stanley Palsinski.
21. I, Alice Steele, leave my typing paper (average 13 sheets per hour) to the scrap drive, and my love of the Air Corps to Hilda Hagen.
22. I, Marian Marshall, leave my "tooth paste ad. smile" to Beverly Hollis.

23. I, Clarence Webb, leave my inquisitive nature and love of scientific things to next year's Physics class.
24. I, Mary Miller, leave my flair for wit and innocent remarks to someone able to stand the protests they arouse.
25. I, Colette Carlson, leave my pretty complexion to Mary Lee Keune.
26. I, Eleanor Maciejewski, leave my enormous, rolling eyes to Dorothy Quartermas.
27. We, Geraldine Coy and George Coy are leaving Shirley to carry on our name in these hallowed halls of Paw Paw High.
28. I, Arnold Harvey, leave my enthusiasm for American Government to someone in the Junior Class.
29. I, Elaine Gleason, am not leaving too much; as wee as I am, it wouldn't be safe.
30. I, Lois Drenkhahn, leave my pretty blonde hair to Gretchen Schnoor.
31. I, Dorothy Eversdyk, willingly leave my band worries to Bill Hobbs.
32. I, Charles Breed, leave my handsome puss and masculine to Lyle La Pine.
33. I, Catherine Conner, leave my morning trips with the attendance bulletin.
34. I, Paul Diljack, leave my interest in French History to Helen Markillie.
35. I, Josephine Doty, leave my love of the Navy to Louise Steele.
36. I, Bob Burns, yield my interest in Agriculture and Future Farmers of America to George Purlsey.
37. I, Shirley Buckhout, bequeath my cool and composed nature to Ethyljean Reeves.
38. I, Frank Labadie, leave my droll laughter to Mary Ann Aubin.
39. I, Joan Kroth, leave my questioning nature to Gerri Healy.
40. I, Douglas Lombard, leave my chivalrous manners and accommodating spirit to Ralph German.
41. I, Joyce Pursley, bestow my slight build and pert appearance on Eileen Rice.
42. I, Ellen Ortquist, am leaving my desk in the principal's office to Eleanor Masten.
43. I, Dick Wragg, bequeath my bow legs to any unfortunate soul who has the bad luck to get them, with my best wishes that he may run as fast as I.
44. We, Grace Blaesing and Max Potter are not leaving anything--we are going to leave together.
45. I, Bill Braybrooks, bequeath my position as head usher in assemblies to Howard Englesby.
46. I, Roger Conolly, leave my hitting ability in baseball to Dale Whittington.

Rogues'



Gallery

Sports





4th Row-M. Dudash, R. Carlson, R. Donovan, B. Brown, R. McGuire, A. Cutting, R. Oas. 3rd Row-D. Sprague, C. Carrington, H. Englesby, C. Andrews, B. Wilkinson, A. Lang, D. Rothrock. 2nd Row-P. Brusach, K. Scott, B. Coleman, B. Geiger, J. Coulson, A. Gladysz, M. Potter. 1st Row-R. Duhan, S. Palasinski, L. Donovan, E. Rucinski, R. Wragg, E. Meconi, B. Braybrooks, L. LaPine.

SCHEDULE OF 1944

	We	They
Watervliet	28	0
Benton Harbor Reserves	35	0
Otsego	13	2
Bangor	0	14
Hartford	39	7
Allegan	6	7

The football season opened with 8 lettermen back on the squad. The team, as a whole, was stronger than it was last year. They proved this by winning 4 out of 6 games during the season, losing to a strong Bangor team and a big class B Allegan team. The Redskin lineup in most of the games consisted of LaPine and Palasinski ends; Duhan and Rucinski tackles; Geiger and Coulson guards; Brusach center; Potter quarter-back; Wragg and Donovan half-backs; Braybrooks full-back. The team will lose 8 lettermen through graduation this year.

Betty W.: "Football is such an awfully rough game. Do the players get killed very often?"

Howard E.: "No, dear, only once."



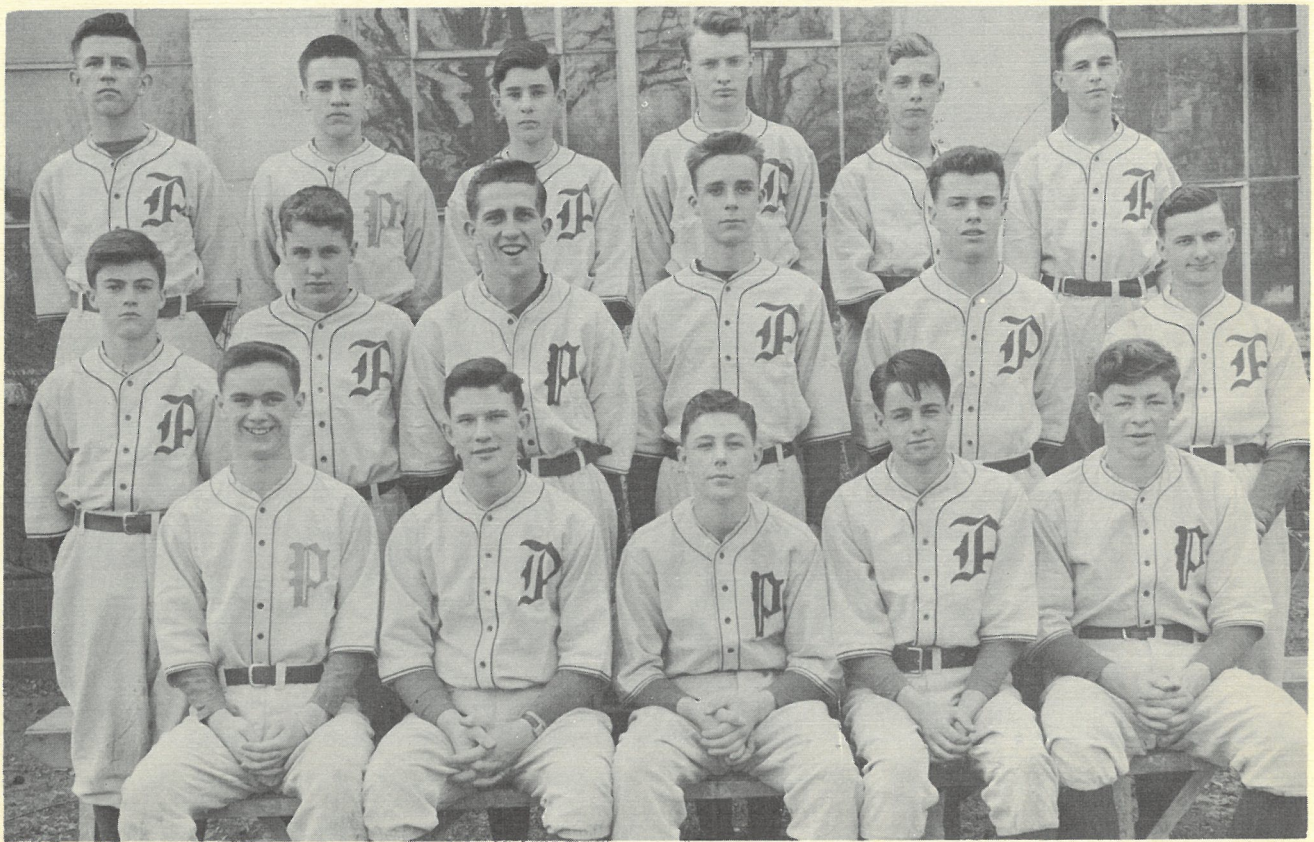
2nd Row-R. Hagen, D. Whittington, C. Carrington, S. Breed, D. Sprague,
A. Gladysz 1st Row-R. Wragg, L. Donovan, M. Potter, E. Rucinski, L. LaPine

BASKETBALL 1944-1945

		WE	THEY
Dec. 8	Otsego	33	29
Dec. 15	Bangor	28	27
Dec. 19	Otsego	22	21
Dec. 22	Mattawan	27	15
Jan. 2	Dowagiac	31	36
Jan. 9	Lawton	57	22
Jan. 12	Plainwell	25	19
Jan. 16	Decatur	37	24
Jan. 26	South Haven	41	44
Jan. 30	Mattawan	47	38
Feb. 6	Allegan	22	23
Feb. 9	Lawton	43	15
Feb. 13	Decatur	32	34
Feb. 20	Bangor	16	43
Feb. 23	Allegan	36	32

The Redskins played some very big teams, competing against three class B teams, and defeating one of them during the season. The team won ten out of fifteen games, which is very good. They got to the finals in the district tournament, which was held at Paw Paw, by defeating a good Decatur team in a thrilling over-time 38 to 41; however, only to lose to Bangor in the final game, 28 to 32. The lineup of most of the games consisted of Wragg and Potter guards; Rucinski center, LaPine and Donovan forwards. The team will lose four letter men by graduation this year.

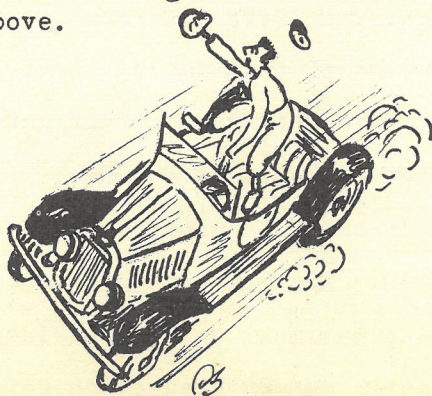
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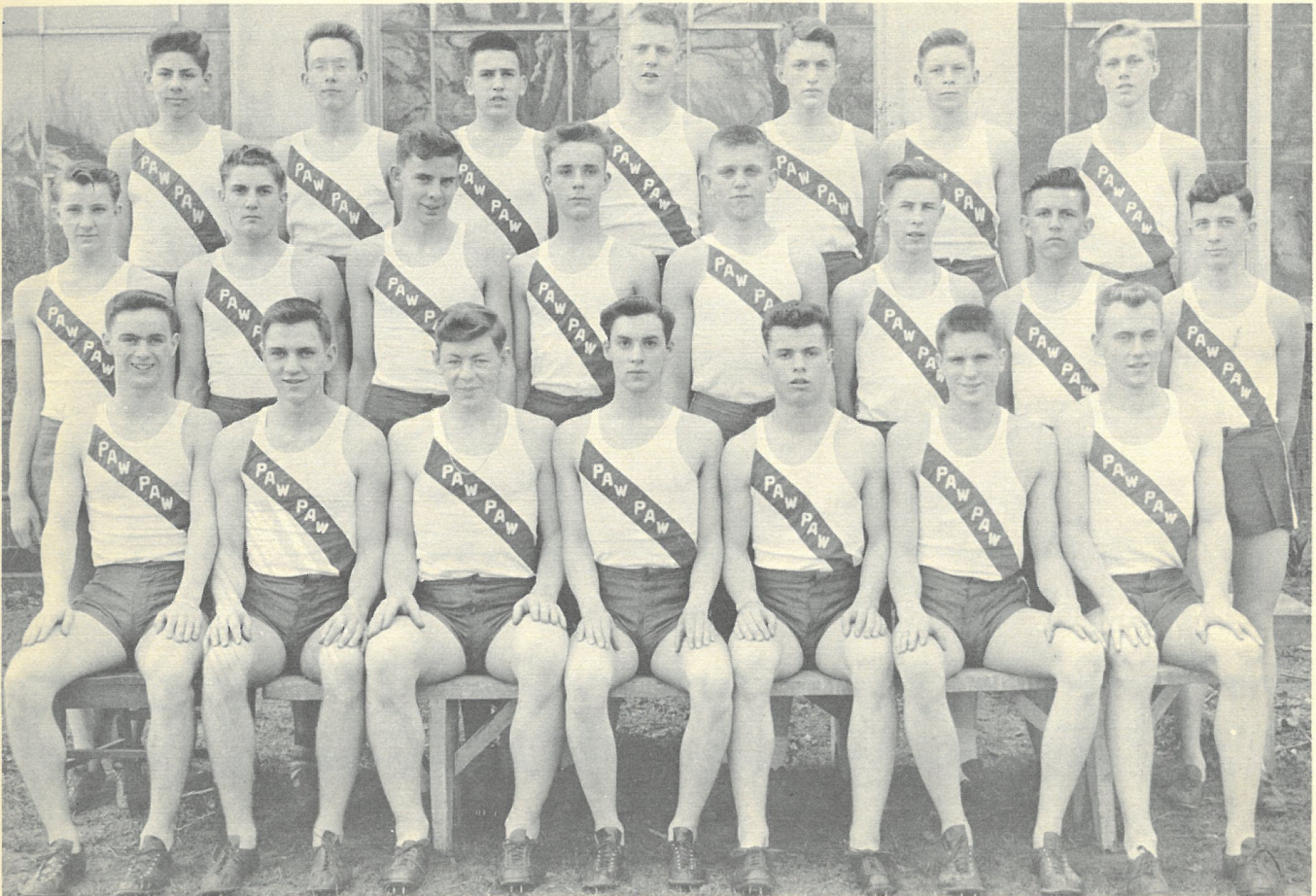


3rd Row-A. Lounsberry, B. Love, R. Snyder, B. Brown, R. Brill, T. Holman
 2nd Row-D. Donovan, A. Cutting, R. Burns, S. Breed, L. Donovan, A.
 Gladysz 1st Row-R. Wragg, J. Coulson, D. Whittington, D. Sprague, E. Ruc-
 inski Absences: G. Goens, B. Kaiser

April 11	Bangor
April 20	State High
April 26	Hartford
May 1	Mattawan
May 8	Mattawan
May 10	Lawrence
May 14	Decatur

The squad this year looks very promising, although we did lose Donald Holman, a good center fielder, and Harold Hinckly, who played first base. We also lost a good pitcher, Roger Conolly, and Max Potter, who was, a regular short stop. The last two boys went into the Armed Forces. The squad will start a tough season by playing Bangor, last years champion. The schedule is as above.

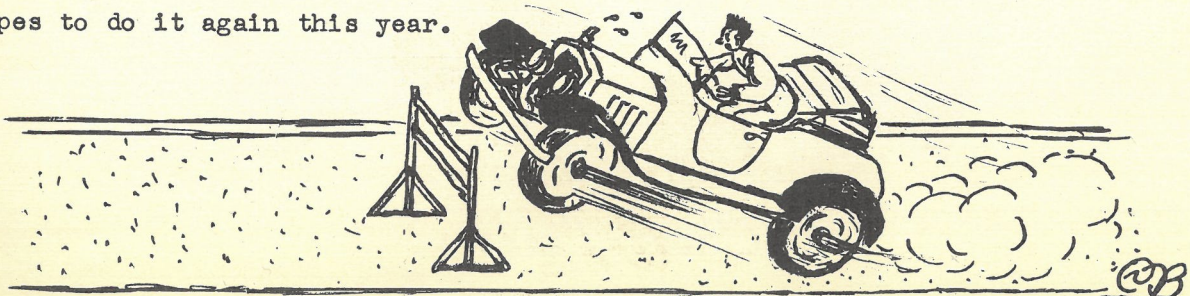




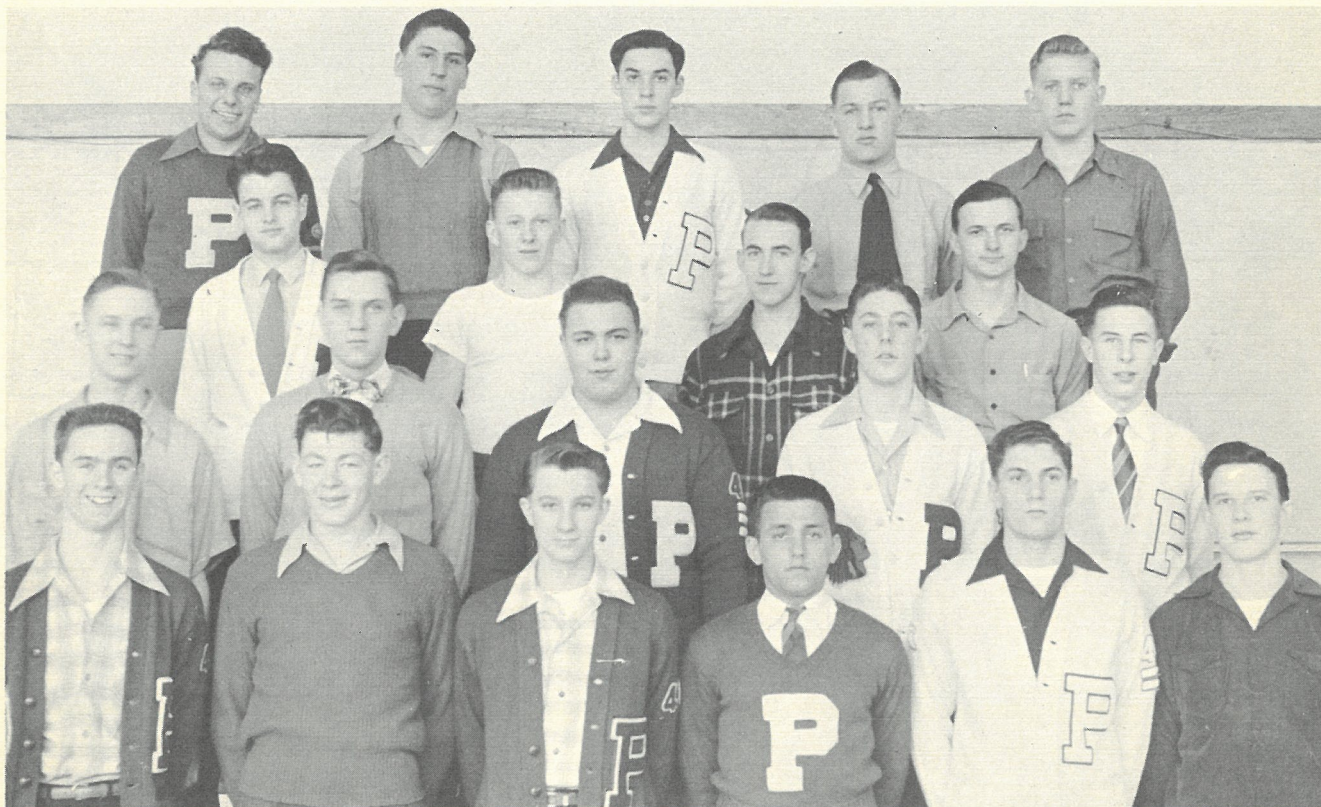
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2nd Row-R. Hagen, L. LaPine, C. Carrington, S. Breed, F. Shank
1st Row-R. Wragg, K. Scott, E. Rucinski, C. Breed, L. Donovan, J. Maske, K. Carlson Absences: R. Danger
 R. Duhan, A. Lang, D. Rothrock, H. Walt.

April 17	Interclass Meet
April 18	Interclass Meet
April 24	State High
April 27	Allegan-Zeeland-Paw Paw
May 4	State High-Three Rivers-Paw Paw
May 11	Allegan Relays
May 16	South Haven
May 19	Regional Meet
May 26	State Meet
May 28	All-Events Meet

Although we lost 3 men to graduation, and 2 to the Armed Forces, the track team looks very good this year. Bob Glidden, who was exceptionally good in the mile, was the only real loss to the team. He placed first in the county and district meets last year. The team was "County Champs" and hopes to do it again this year.



Varsity Club



Back Row-P. Brusach, R. Duhan, C. Breed, S. Palasinski, D. Rumsey. Third Row-D. Sprague, W. Coleman, A. Harvey, A. Gladysz. Second Row-D. Rothrock, K. Scott, W. Geiger, D. Whittington, E. Torrance. Front Row-R. Wragg, E. Rucinski, R. Hagen, N. Larson, L. LaPine, J. Coulson. Absent-M. Potter, K. Carlson, R. Carlson.



Cheer Leaders

Girls' Sports

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Basketball Champions

2nd Row-S. Scamihorn, M. Beyer, M. Masten, Miss Marion Spaulding

1st Row-M. McDaniels, M. Aubin, M. Carrington, I. Lhamon

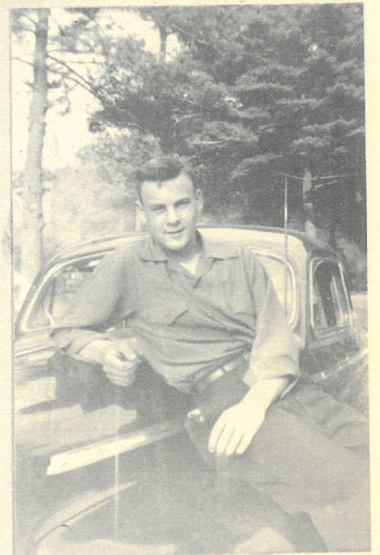
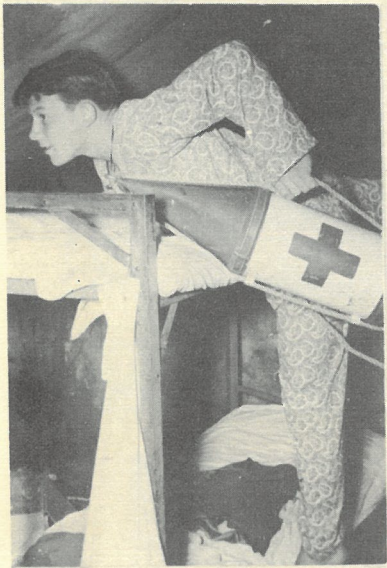
Absences: E. Belan, E. Wojciechowski



Volleyball Champions

2nd Row-M. Minarek, H. Hagen, T. Whisler, V. Ross, M. Glidden, M. Spaulding

1st Row-C. Holm, D. Carlson, W. Blaesing, G. Henderson, S. Coy



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War Board



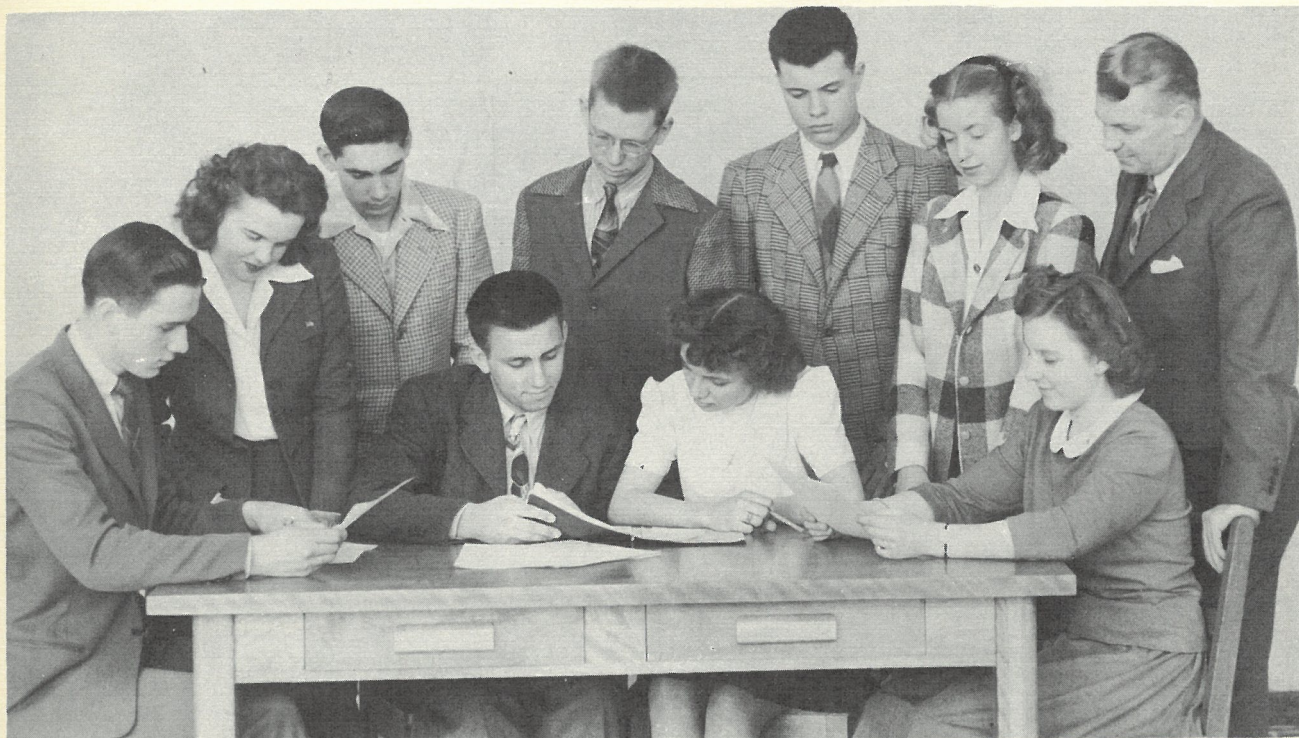
2nd Row-Mrs. Myers, B. Hagen, Mrs. Baker, M. Masten, C. Koehler,
Miss Baxter. 1st Row-Mr. Bordine, J. Potter, P. Lang, M. Dodge, P. Lindquist

President: Philip Lang
Vice-President: Mary Lou Masten
Secretary: Mavis Dodge

The students of our school are very proud of their War Board. This board was organized in the fall of '42 for the purpose of encouraging participation in the war effort throughout all the grades. The entire school is represented by two representatives from each of the three departments, and their faculty advisers, making ten members.

This year the war board has aided in paper drives, war stamps and bond sales, Red Cross work, and has organized a hospitality committee to welcome all visitors to our school.

"It's not just the individual
Nor the army as a whole,
But the bloomin' co-operation
Of every livin' soul."

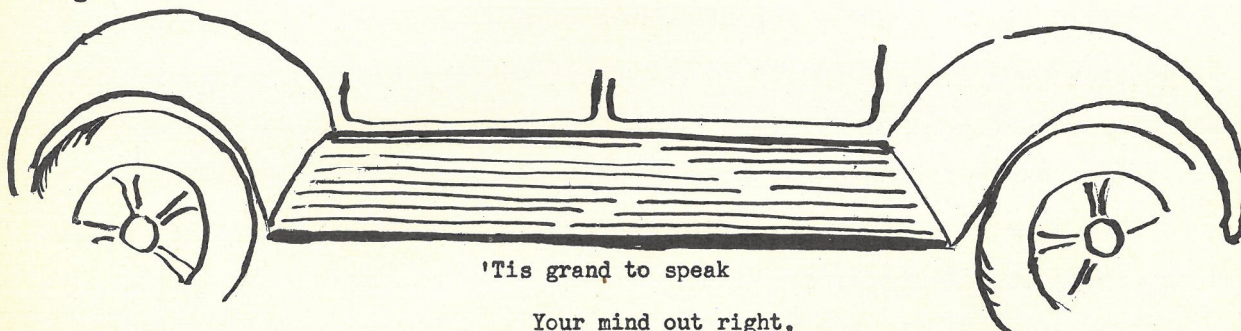


Standing-H. Markillie, R. Conolly, C. Webb, L. Donovan, G. Schnoor, Mr. Lindquist. Sitting-K. Scott, N. Larson, W. Blaesing, H. Hagen.

The Officers are:

Chairman: Norman Larson
Secretary: Wilma Blaesing

This committee formed by three members from each class, works as an advisory group with Mr. Lindquist. It makes suggestion for improving the school as well as the plans for social life in it. This year the committee sponsored a Christmas Dance in co-operation with the Senior High students.



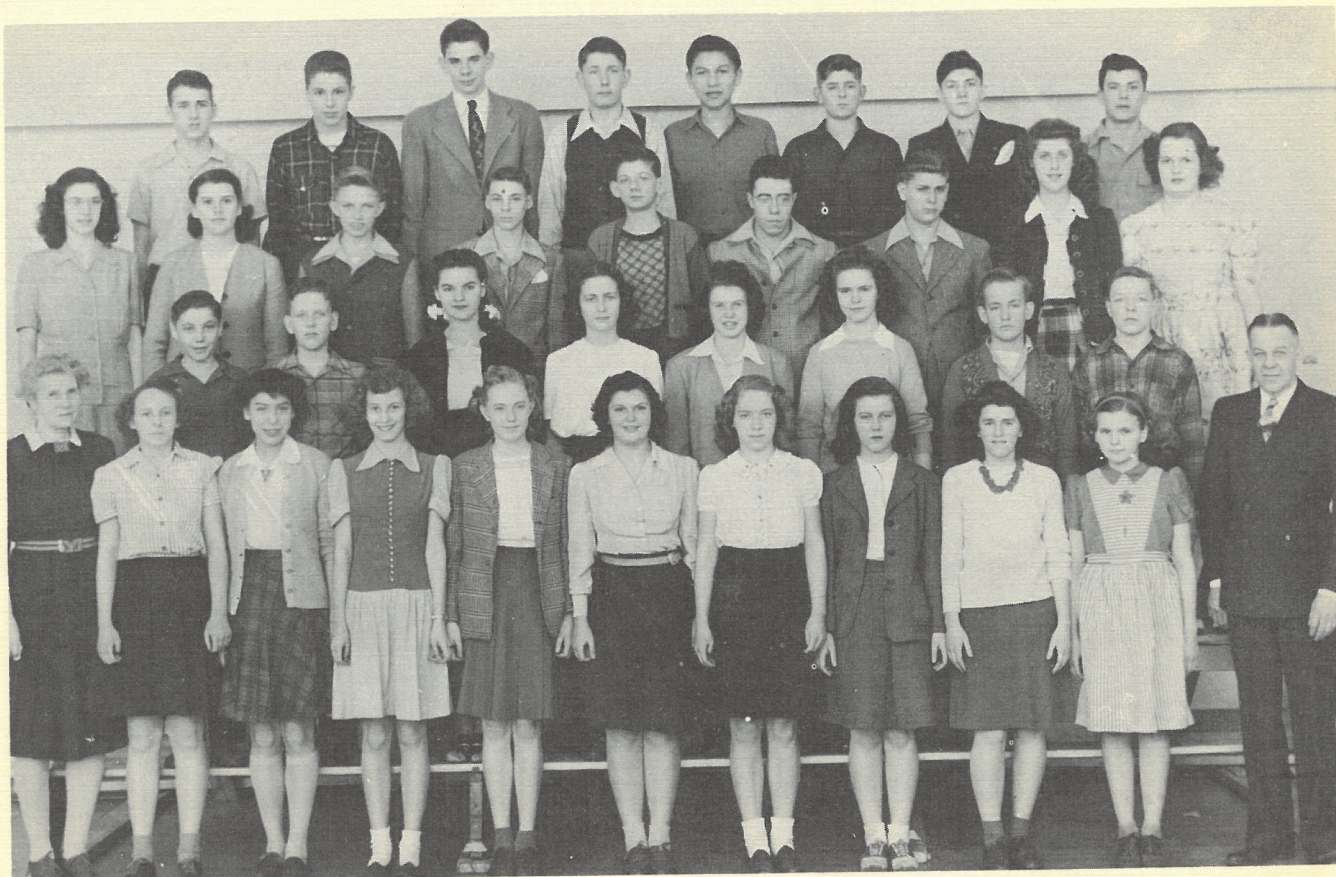
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Your mind out right,

But first make sure

The door's in sight!

Junior Hi Student Council



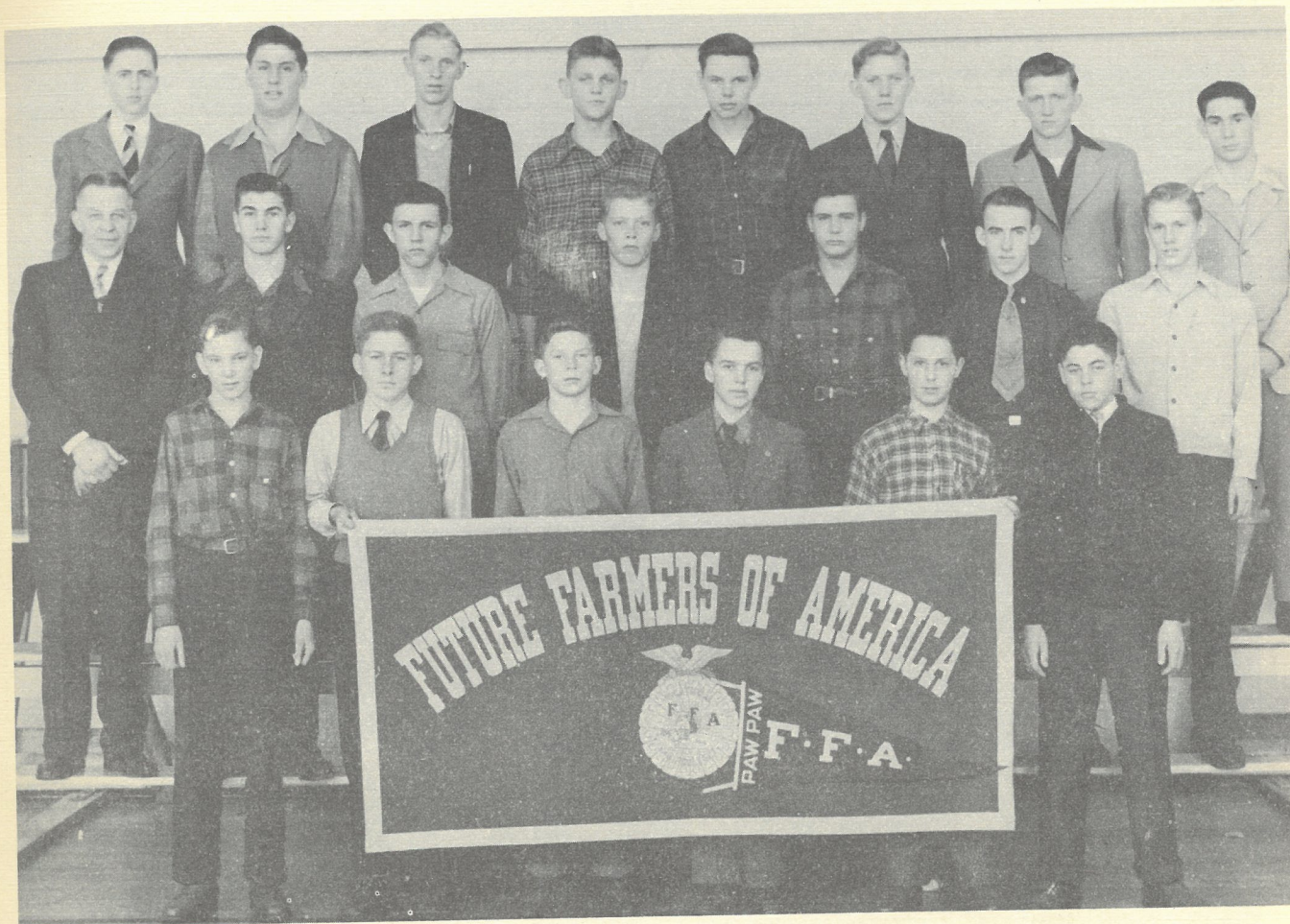
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Russell, W. Carrington, W. Reits, J. Doty, C. Hinkley, M. Davis, 2nd Row-
D. Staggs, J. Murch, C. Koeler, N. Murch, M. Dodge, J. Webber, H. Drake
A. Lallinger 1st Row-Mrs. Baker, B. Englesby, J. Henderson, B. Staggs, E.
Whittington, V. Tyler, N. Lallinger, M. Ladyman, S. Larson, J. Koehler,
Mr. Oas Absent: J. Karony, S. Hornibrook.

President: Mavis Dodge
Vice-President: Joe Quigno
Secretary: Nancy Murch
Chief Monitor: William Reits
Adviser: Reynold G. Oas

This organization is the student-governing body of the Junior High School, the purpose of which is to encourage cooperative student government. The body is composed of 24 representatives from the classes and officers elected by the entire student body of Junior High.

This year the Council has sponsored two Junior High parties, which have become annual occasions.

"We, the members of the Junior High Student Council, believe that a hypocrite is one who smiles sweetly at his teachers after he has just received his report card."



3rd Row-R. McKee, R. Duhan, C. Smith, F. Shank, J. Foster, D. Rumsey, R. German, R. Conolly. 2nd Row- Mr. Oas, E. Zorich, A. Lounsberry, G. Purlsey, J. MacDaniel, A. Harvey, R. Danger. 1st Row-R. Drenkhahn, R. Danger, D. Ross, B. Sackett, J. Bukovac.

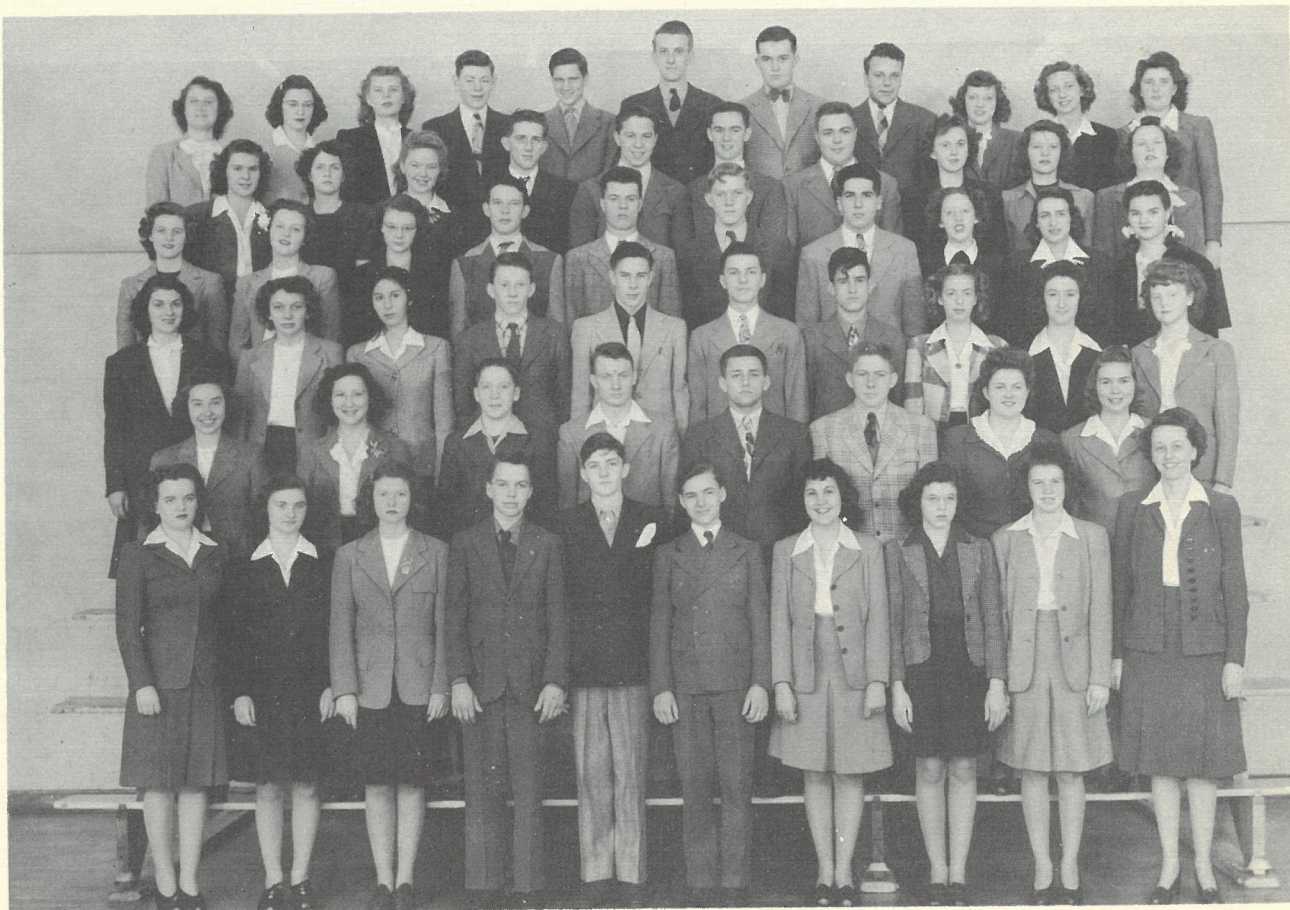
President: Arnold Harvey
 Vice-President: Robert McKee
 Secretary: Ralph German
 Treasurer: Alden Lounsberry
 Reporter: John Foster
 Watch Dog: Roger Conolly
 Adviser: Reynold G. Oas

The Paw Paw Chapter of the Future Farmers of America has been very active this past year in many things. Under the leadership of President Arnold Harvey and Mr. Oas, adviser, the F. F. A. conducted the F. F. A. Regional Speaking Contests in Paw Paw with entries from Allegan, Branch, Kalamazoo, Calhoun, Berrien, Cass and Van Buren Counties.

The F.F.A. took charge of the scrap paper drive in April and has assumed a long time project of re-landscaping the school grounds. Many of the old overgrown shrubs have been removed, lawn making has been done and some new shrubbery has been planted.

Both day and night meetings were held twice a month when important business came up.

Choir



6th Row-G. Coy, P. Carson, C. Carlson, E. Rucinski, J. Maske, A. Lang, C. Andrews, P. Brusach, M. Marshall, G. Blaesing, J. Birdsall, 5th Row-M. Pugsley, D. Eversdyk, L. Drenkhahn, B. Burns, B. Braybrooks, D. Wragg, B. Geiger, M. Masten, D. Carlson, E. Masten, 4th Row-A. Steele, L. Steele, G. French, J. Coulson, L. Donovan, D. Rumsey, E. Maconi, F. Flynn, J. Kroth, C. Koehler, 3rd Row-B. Mortensen, W. Blaesing, G. Henderson, B. Coleman, E. Torrance, J. Kubian, T. Taylor, G. Schnoor, S. Scamihorn, M. Glidden, 2nd Row-J. Fuller, S. Coy, W. Richmond, B. Brown, N. Larson, R. Danger, L. Anderson, M. Wright, 1st Row-H. Markillie, E. Gleason, J. Cuddeback, B. Sackett, J. Replogle, R. Campbell, D. Quartermas, D. Arnold, M. Dodge, Miss Carlson.

President: Peter Brusach
 Vice-President: Alice Steele
 Secretary: Joanne Cuddeback
 Accompanist: Phyllis Carson
 Adviser: Miss Carlson

The choir is a newly organized musical group composed of 58 students from the ninth to twelfth grades. Rehearsals take place two mornings a week from 8:15 to 9:00. Sectional rehearsals are held during the noon hour. Miss Carlson, the director, is to be given much credit for undertaking the task of successfully organizing this group under many difficulties. Many of the members, the boys in particular, have had little or no previous vocal training.

In its first year, it has participated in two programs: the school's annual Christmas play and a spring concert.

Girls Glee Club

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3rd Row-E. Masten, M. Pugsley, G. Coy, J. Birdsall, J. Healy, G. Blaesing
M. Marshall, L. Drenkhan. 2nd Row-B. Ewing, W. Blaesing, S. Scamihorn,
J. Sitar, L. Steele, M. Minarek, C. Koehler, B. Mortensen, E. Ortquist.
1st Row-E. Gleason, J. Cuddeback, H. Markillie, L. Anderson, Miss Carlson
J. Doty, M. Glidden, J. Puraley.

The Officers are:
President: Mary Pugsley
Vice-President: Elaine Gleason
Secretary: Barbara Mortensen
Librarians: Beth Ewing
Joanne Cuddeback

The girls' vocal organization is called the "Treble Singers" this year. It is a group of twenty-six girls, under the direction of Miss Edith Carlson, vocal instructor.

Much has been accomplished. They sang at a Mother's Club meeting, participated in the Thanksgiving and Christmas programs, and gave a concert for the Isabella club in Lawton. Their activities also included two concerts given on March 23 and April 27.



The sun never sets on a day in which somebody has forgotten to turn in his absence slip for choir.--??



5th Row-E. Masten, C. Carlson, D. Sprague, L. La Pine, B. Hobbs, V. Tate
M. Carrington, M. Pugsley, B. Weston 4th Row-J. Kroth, A. Steele, B.
Carlson, W. Clearwater, E. Torrence, J. Guercio, J. Fuller, D. Eversdyk
L. Steele 3rd Row-J. White, E. Belan, T. Holman, B. Sackett, J. Doty,
D. Richardson, E. Reeves, L. Zuris 2nd Row-H. Wright, E. Tate, K. Sheldon
S. Adamson, L. Anderson, J. Doty, B. German, J. Fuller, N. Murch 1st Row
M. Flynn, L. Greenwald, M. Dodge, B. Wolf, H. Hagen, K. Arnold, H. Masten
G. French, K. Carlson

Captain--Alice Steele
Staff Sergeant--Victor Tate
Technical Sergeant--Mary Pugsley
Librarian--Dorothy Eversdyk
Reporters--Louise Steele
Colette Carlson

Due to the loss of the director, Harry Geiger, who is now serving at Percy Jones Hospital, the band's program has been interrupted. Although the band played at some of the home football games and at a few of the home basketball games, there were no concerts. A memorable occasion was the participation in the program for the awarding of the Army-Navy E to the Eaton Manufacturing Company.

Mr. Wilkinson has recently been secured, and is completing this year's schedule. The Dance Band which was a special interest of Mr. Geiger, is being conducted by Bill Hobbs, of the Class of '46.

In Witness Whereof, We, Class of 1945, the testators, have set our hand and seal hereto, this thirteenth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty five. (1945)

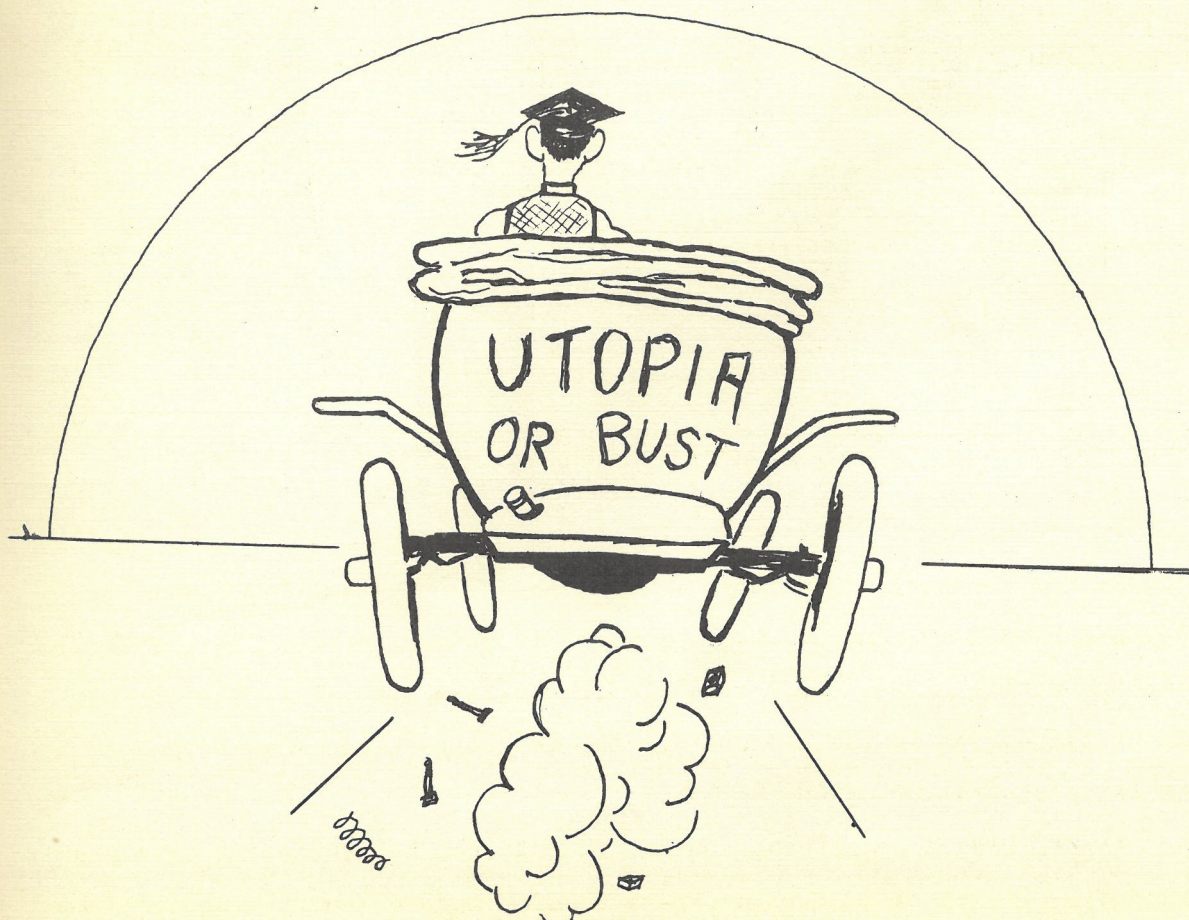


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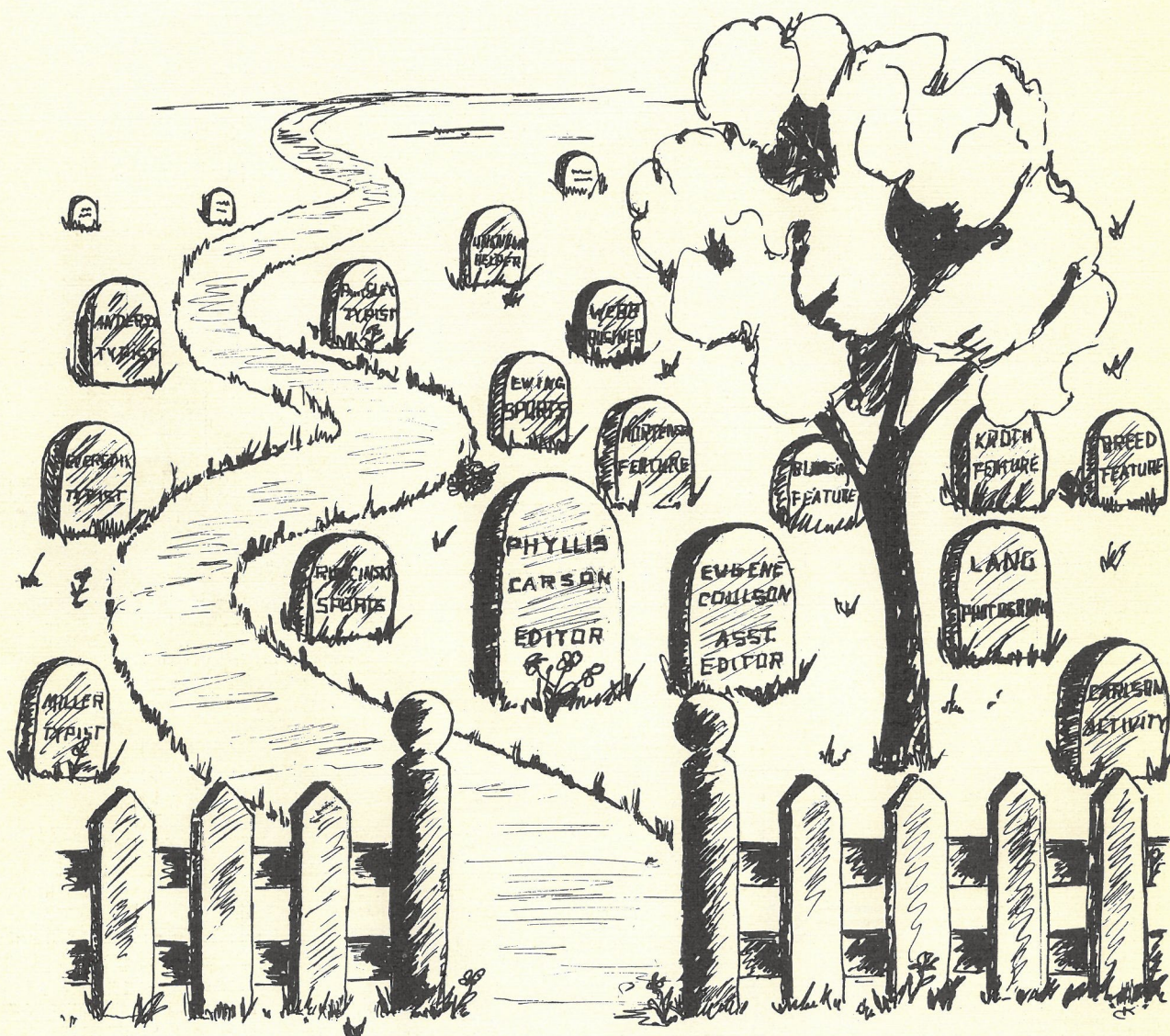
Signed, sealed, published and declared as and for their last will and testament by the Class of 1945, the above-named testators, in the presence of us, who, at their request and in the presence of them and of each other, have subscribed our names hereto as witnesses on the day and year last aforesaid.

Charles H. Morton

McLennan Scranton

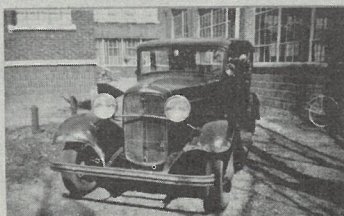
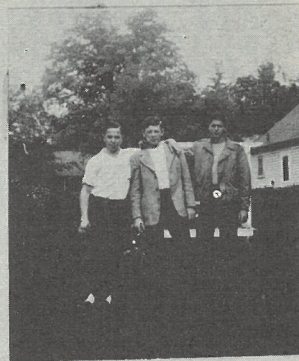
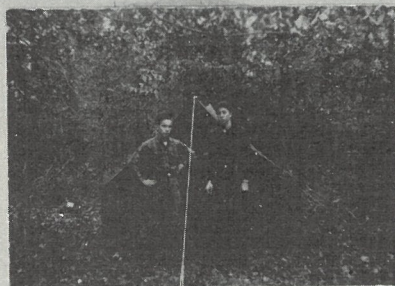
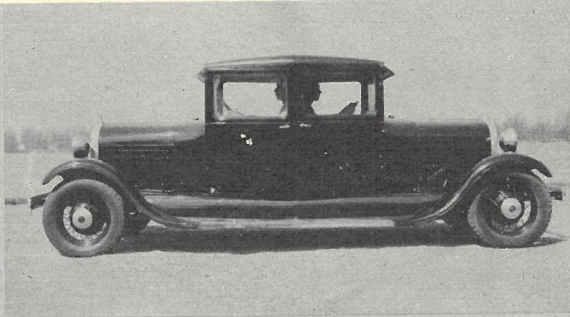


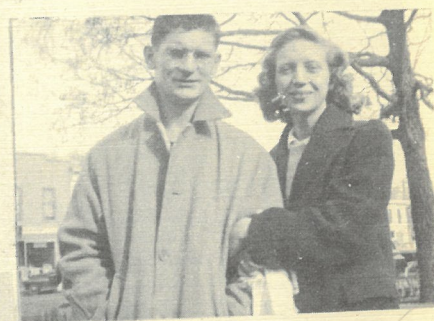
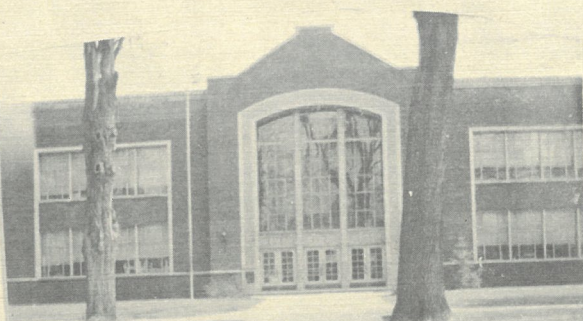
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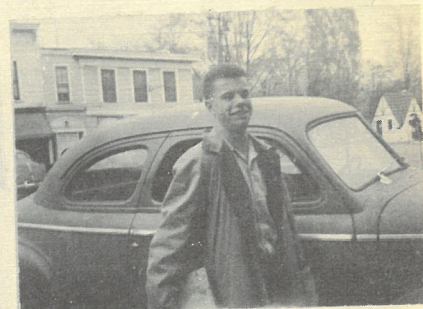
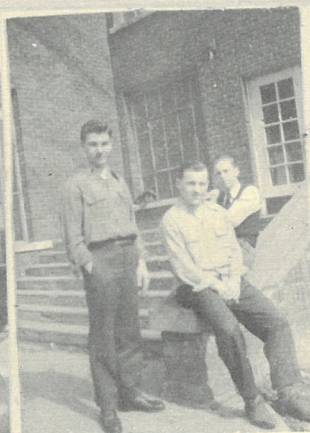
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